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# MINUTES

OF THE ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED PRESEYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, AT ITS MEETING IN MONMOUTH, ILLS., MAY 26, 1869.

HARDING'S HALL, Monmouth, Ills., Wednesday, May 26th, 1869, 2 o'clock, P.M.

THE ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA convened at the above time and place, and after sermon by Rev. James Harper, D. D., the retiring Moderator, on the words contained in Psalm lxxiv. 22, "Arise, O God, plead thine own cause," was by him constituted with prayer.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following roll, which was

called by the Clerk:-

#### ROLL.

Albany Presbytery.

Ministers. Elders.
S. F. Morrow. J. R. Calderwood.\*

Argyle Presbytery.
W. B. Shortt, Jas. Savage, M. D.,
G. M. Wiley. Wm. Reid.

Allegheny Presbytery.

J. T. Pressly, D.D., W. H. Douglass,
J. B. Clark, D. D., R. H. Knox,\*
W. G. Reed, F. Anderson,\*
J. W. Witherspoon. John Slentz.

Big Spring Presbytery. R. G. Ferguson. A. Hyson.

J. C. Bigham, Wm. Gowdy, Wm. Morrow. R. Pinkerton.

Boston Presbytery.

Alex. Blaikie, D.D., Robt. Thompson,
Geo. M. Hall. John Ross.\*

Butler Presbytery.
J. N. Dick, David McKee,
J. M. Donaldson, Wm. Dick,

J. M. Donaldson, Wm. Dick, J. A. Clark. F. Jamieson.\* Caledonia Presbytery.
W. S. McLaren, W. B. Wooster,
Jno. Rippey. Martin Grove.\*

Cedar Rapids Presbytery.
W. A. Pollock. Mitchell Wilson.

Chartiers Presbytery.
D. S. Littell, John G. Clark,
J. A. McKee. John Thom.

Chicago Presbytery.
R. W. French. A. M. Ferrier.

Chillicothe Presbytery.
David McDill. R. T. Findtey.\*

G. K. Ormond. Robt. Van Horn.

Conemaugh Presbytery.
M. S. Telford, Scott Lowman,
S. McArthur, Wm. M'Grae,
J. C. Greer. J. Duncan.

Delaware Presbytery.
Jas. Bruce, A. C. Leal,
J. D. Gibson. Jas. L. Harkness.

Des Moines Presbytery. Wm. Johnston, Simeon Wycoff, Andrew McCartney. John Wood.

Detroit Presbytery.
J. P. Scott, John Cameron,\*
R. M. Patterson. D. Wallace.\*

Presbytery of Egypt.

Frankfort Presbytery.
S. H. Graham. Thos. Ramsey.

Indiana Presbytery.
N. C. M'Dill,
H. W. Crabbe.
N. Patton,
W. Weir.

Kansas Presbytery.
J. N. Smith, J. C. Briggs,
W. P. McNary. James Shearer.\*

Keokuk Presbytery.

J. Patterson, D. D., James Dawson,
W. M. Richie,
J. S. Ross.

J. H. Graham, M. D.
Smith Hamill.

Lake Presbytery.
H. P. Jackson,
Jos. M'Cattney.
Win. McLeau,
A. D. McCracken.

Le Claire Presbytery.
J. S. Buchanan, W. W. Beatty,\*
G. W. Torrence. Joel Jamison.

Mansfield Presbytery.
W. M. Gibson, Jas. Clark,\*
J. Y. Ashenhust. B. Wallace.\*

Mercer Presbytery.
R. A. Browne, D. D., Jos. Douthett,
W. Findley, D. D., Samuel Elliott,\*
D. W. French. Robt. Lowrie.

Michigan Presbytery.
J. N. Buchanan. David Turner.

Minnesota Presbytery.
D. F. Reid. S. C. Huey.\*

Monmouth Presbytery.
J. M. Waddle,
S. Millen,
S. W. Lorimer,
J. M. Henderson.

Monmouth Presbytery.
E. S. Erskine,
J. F. Harper, M.D.,
David Turnbull,
J. H. Martin.

Monongahela Presbytery.
J. G. Brown, D.D., E. Robb,
W. J. Reid,
S. B. Reed.
Wm. Hall,\*
S. Mahood.

Muskingum Presbytery.
S. C. Marshall,
A. H. Caldwell,
J. P. Lytle.

Muskingum Presbytery.

David Cowden,\*
Richard Bell,\*
Samuel Hadden.\*

Nebraska Presbytery. I. A. Wilson, Geo M'Cullough.

First New York Presbytery.

Jas. Harper, D.D., Henry Harrison,
John Erskine, Jas. Brown.

Second New York Presbytery.
J. S. M'Cullough, Robt. Stewart,
G. D. Mathews. Robt. Biggart.

First Ohio Presbytery.
J. Y. Scouller, Wm. E. Brown,\*
N. E. Wade. Hugh McDill.\*

Presbytery of Oregon.

Philadelphia Presbytery.
E. T. Jeffers, W. Getty,
Jas. Crowe, R. T. Elliott,
J. B. Dales, D. D. Thos. Stinson.\*

Princeton Presbytery.
A. S. Montgomery. Hugh Watt.\*

Rock Island Presbytery.
Henry Wallace, James Morrison,
J. M. Wallace. Thomas Godfrey.

Presbytery of Sealkote.

Sidney Presbytery.
W. C. Dunn,
J. Williamson.

1. K. Gillespie,\*
J. B. McCracken.

Stamford Presbytery.
James M'Gill. John Buchanan.\*

Steubenville Presbytery.
J. H. Leiper, R. G. Ramsey,
W. R. Erskine. Alex. George.

St. Lawrence Presbytery.

St. Louis Presbytery.
R. N. Fee, James Wilson,\*
J. R. Finney. W. Rutherford.

Tennessee Presbytery.
James McNeal. Robt. Montgomery.\*

Vermont Presbytery.
Wm. Bruce, John Samuel.\*

Wabash Presbytery.
G. Small, James Orr,\*
J. H. Tedford.\* Thomas Barnes.

Westmoreland Presbytery.
Jas. Kelso, Geo. M'Cague,
J. W. McFarland. John Shaw.

Wheeling Presbytery.
J. B. Johnston, Sol. Bentley,
J. T. M'Clure. James Kerr.

Western Missouri Presbytery.
Josiah Thompson, W. M. Clark, M. D.,
Randal Ross. Wm. Paul.

White River Presbytery. W. G. Spencer. Wm. Wylie.\*

Wisconsin Presbytery.
M. M. Brown, David Brown,
J. A. Vance. Robert Rodgers.\*

Xenia Presbytery.

Jos. Clokey, D. D., Joseph Collins,

Henry Harrison,

J. W. McNary,

S. Anderson,

J. B. McNich Chichael.

Thomas White

Delegates from other Churches.

General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, -Rev. J. A. De Baun.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States,—Rev. J. F. McLaren, D. D.

Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church-Rev. Andrew Wilson.

The Assembly proceeded to the election of a Moderator. Rev. R. A. Browne, D. D., was elected.

Rev. J. R. Miller was appointed Assistant Clerk.

Dr. Wallace, on behalf of the Faculty of the College, invited the members of the Assembly, with the families in whose houses they respectively reside, and also such strangers as may be present, to meet in a social way at the College to-morrow evening at 7 o'clock. The invitation was accepted.

On motion of Dr. Dales, the Assembly agreed to meet for prayer

and conference this evening at 7.30, P.M., in the Second Church,

The hours of meeting were fixed at 8.45, A.M., and 2, P.M., and of

adjournment at 11.30, A.M., and 5, P.M.

The credentials of Rev. J. A. De Baun, as a delegate to this Assembly from the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, held at Hudson, N.Y., June, 1868, were presented, and on motion of Rev. Dr. J. T. Pressly, the Assembly agreed to hear the delegate to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A.M.

Assembly adjourned to meet this evening at 7.30, P.M., in the Second

Church.

Closed with prayer by Rev. J. B. Johnston.

SECOND CHURCH, 7.30, P.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. The calling of the roll was, on motion, dispensed with. Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Assembly engaged in prayer and conference.

On motion of Dr. Findley, the Assembly agreed to spend thirty minutes each morning in devotional exercises prior to the regular meeting for the transaction of business.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. J. B. M'Michael.

THURSDAY, 8.45, A.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. The roll was called and corrected. The following Standing Committees were appointed:—

Committee on Bills and Overtures.—Rev. James Harper, D. D., J. Y. Scouller, Gco. M. Hall, Jas. Patterson, D. D., Alex. Blaikie, D. D., J. N. Dick; Elders, Jas. Dawson, Dr. James Savage, Robert Biggart.

Jas. Dawson, Dr. James Savage, Robert Biggart.
Judicial Committee.—Rev. J. G. Brown, D. D., J. B. Johnston, Joseph Clokey, D. D., J. T. Pressly, D. D., W. G. Reid, J. T. M'Clure, W. S. M'Laren, Elders George M'Cague, H. Harrison.

Committee on Narrative and State of Religion.—Revs. R. W. French, J. P.

Lytle, J. W. M'Farland, Elders, W. H. Douglass, Alexander George.

Committee on Correspondence.—Revs. J. B. Clark, D. D., J. B. Dales, D. D., G. D. Matthews, Elders, S. C. Huey, Dr. J. F. Harper.

Committee on Devotional Exercises.—Revs. J. M. Henderson, S. Millen, D. S. Littell, Elders, R. G. Bamsey, R. H. Knox. W. Krail Ellers, P. G. Ramsey, R. H. Knox. Willen, D. S. Committee on Finance.—Elders, Wm. Getty, R. Ellerts, Rey, G. K. Ormando

Committee on Revision,-Revs. J. M. Wallace, M. M. Brown, John William-

Committee on Statistics,-Revs. W. P. M'Nary, E. T. Jeffers, R. G. Ferguson.

Elder, Joseph Douthett.

Dr. James Harper, a member of the Committee appointed last year to revise new versions of Psalms already adopted, presented a paper. which was read and placed on the Docket.

The Committee on the preparation of new versions of the Psalms.

presented a report, which was read and placed on the Docket.

The Report of the Board of Church Extension was read and referred

to the Committee on that Board.

The Report of the Board of Freedmen's Missions was read and referred to the Committee on that Board.

The following Presbyterial Statistical Reports were presented and

referred to the Committee on Statistics. Wabash, Michigan, Sidney, Conemaugh, Caledonia, Oregon, Mercer, 2d New York, Boston, Philadelphia, West. Missouri, Rock Island, Albany, Cedar Rapids, Des Moines, Monmouth, Chartiers, Minnesota, Delaware, Cleveland, White River, St. Louis, Lake, Kansas, Bloomington, 1st Ohio, Wheeling, Vermont, St. Lawrence, Tennessee, Butler, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Steubenville, Monongahela, Chicago, Muskingum, Princeton, 1st New York, Xenia, Le Claire, Frankfort, Allegheny, and

Indiana. Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the hearing of the Rev. J. A. De Baun, Delegate of the Synod of the Reformed Church. Mr. De Baun was introduced to the Assembly, and addressed the Assembly, and was responded to by the Moderator.

The Report of the Board of Home Missions was read and referred

to the Committee on the Board.

The Report of Rev. M. M. Gibson, Missionary in San Francisco, was read and referred to the Committee on the Board of Home Missions.

Rev. Dr. Boyce, of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, was introduced to the Assembly by Dr. J. T. Pressly, and invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was presented.

Pending the reading of the report, the Assembly adjourned. with prayer by Elder George M'Cague.

2 o'clock, p. m.

Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Assembly met. of the last session read and approved.

The following additional Standing Committees were appointed:-

Committee on Foreign Missions .- Revs. J. P. Scott, G. Small, J. G. Brown, D.D. W. P. M'Nary, Elders John Slentz, Esq., A. M. Ferrier. Committee on Home Missions.—Revs. D. W. French, D. M'Dill, Randal Ross,

S. F. Morrow, Elders Dr. W. M. Clark, Joseph Douthett, D. Turner.

Committee on Freedman's Missions.—Revs. James M'Neal, W. G. Reed, Joseph M'Cartney, Elders, J. H. Martin, Thomas Ramsey.

Committee on Church Extension.—Revs. J. D. Gibson, J. S. Buchanan, S. B. Reid,

Elders, Dr. J. H. Graham, James Brown.

Committee on Board of Publication .- Revs. Wm. Johnston, D. F. Reid, J. A. Clark, Elders, A. Hyson, E. Robb.

Committee on Education .- Revs. W. J. Reid, J. B. M'Michael, S. Millen, Elders, R. Van Horn, W. B. Wooster.

Committee on Systematic Beneficence.—Revs. J. W. Witherspoon, W. M. Ritchie, J. W. M'Nary, Elders Wm. Reid, Samuel Mahood.

Committee on Sabbath Schools.—Revs. James Crowe, J. C. Bigham, H. P.

Jackson, Elders R. T. Elliott, Smith Hammill.

A communication from a "Committee of Arrangements having in charge the decoration of the graves of our deceased soldiers," inviting the co-operation of this Assembly on the 29th instant was read, and on motion of Dr. J. T. Pressly, the invitation was accepted by the Assembly.

The reports of the treasurers of the Boards of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Education, Publication, Church Extension, and also the reports of the treasurers of the Bible Fund, General Assembly and Superannuated Ministers' Fund were presented and referred to the

Committee on Finance.

The Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries of Chillicothe, Mansfield and Stamford were presented and referred to the Committee on Statistical Tables.

A letter signed T. H. Robinson, a delegate of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N.S.,) was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

A paper of reference on the question of divorce from the Presbytery

of Des Moines was read and referred to the Judicial Committee.

A memorial on Secret Societies, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia,

was read and placed on the Docket.

The Committee appointed last year on the subject of union between different Presbyterian churches made a report, which was read and referred to a special committee consisting of Drs. Pressly, Dales, Clokey, and Findley, and Messrs. M'Cague and Getty.

Resumed the reading of the Report of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Said report was referred to the Committee on that Board.

The Report of the Board of Education was read and referred to the Committee on that Board.

The Report of the Board of Publication was read and referred to

the Committee on that Board.

The Reports of the following Presbyteries were read and referred to the Committee on Narrative and State of Religion, namely: Nebraska, Stamford, Chillicothe, Minnesota, Mansfield, Indiana, 1st New York, Wheeling, Allegheny, Caledonia, St. Louis, and Boston. So much of the Report of the 1st Presbytery of New York as relates to the reorganization of the Board of Home Missions, was referred to the Committee on the Board of Home Missions.

Rev. W. S. McLaren, as Chairman of a Convention on the Finances of the church, held in this city, presented the action of said convention for the consideration of the Assembly. This paper was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. J. B. Clark, D. D., and William Johnston, and Messrs. James Dawson, Dr. Savage, and Wm. Gowdy.

Mr. Wm. Getty was appointed to receive any moneys that may be

paid into the funds of the church, during the Assembly.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Boyce.

FRIDAY, 8.45, A.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

On motion, the remaining presbyterial reports were referred, without reading, to the Committee on the Narrative and State of Religion, with instructions to this committee to refer to the Assembly such parts of these reports as require consideration.

The Committee on Correspondence made a report, which was adopt-

ed, and is as follows:-

The committee on correspondence would respectfully report, that the credentials of Dr. J. F. McLaren, commissioner from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (Old School,) have been received, and would submit the following:

Resolved, that Dr. J. F. McLaren, commissioner of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, be heard at 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

The Statistical Tables of the Presbyteries of Westmoreland, Argyle, and Keokuk, were presented, and referred to the Committee on Statistics.

A paper from the Second Clerk, relating to Forms of Bequest, for publication with the Minutes, was read, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

An appeal from a decision of the First Synod of the West was presented, and referred, without reading, to the Judicial Committee.

A paper of questions, relating to the validity of Papal Baptism, from the Synod of Pittsburgh, was presented, and referred to a special committee, consisting of Drs. Pressly, Clokey, and Patterson, with instructions to report to the next Assembly.

A paper from the Presbytery of Chartiers on the proposed change in the Constitution of the Board of Home Missions was presented, and

referred to the Committee on the Board of Home Missions.

A memorial of the Presbytery of Western Missouri, asking aid to erect a house of worship in Kansas City, was presented, and referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

A memorial of the Presbytery of Western Missouri, in relation to the division of the Synod of Illinois, was presented, and referred to the

Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of the General Assembly was read, and referred to a special Committee to nominate persons to fill the vacancies in the Board. The Committee consists of Revs. George M. Wiley, and M. S. Telford.

A memorial relating to the Finances of the Church from the Presbytery of Philadelphia was read and referred to the Special Committee

on Finance.

The report of Rev. Joseph H. Pressly, Delegate to the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence. See Appendix.

A letter of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South was read

and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

A memorial of the Synod of Illinois on the division of the Synod was presented and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A memorial of the Synod of Illinois on the Book of Government was presented and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A paper containing the action of the Presbytery of Monmouth, in relation to the appointing of Delegates to the Board of Home Missions, was presented and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Report of the Agent of the San Francisco Building Fund with Vouchers was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Reports of the following Presbyteries were presented and referred to the Committee on the Narrative and state of Religion.

Des Moines, Argyle, White River, Monongahela, Muskingum, Le Claire, 2nd New York, Bloomington, Kansas, Steubenville, Chicago, Delaware, Cleveland, Westmoreland, 1st Ohio, Butler, Oregon, Michigan, Monmouth, Cedar Rapids, Wabash, Chartiers, West Missouri, Keokuk, Rock Island, Mercer, Tennessee, St. Lawrence, Philadelphia, Vermont, Wisconsin, Frankfort, Detroit, Albany, Xenia, Lake, Sidney.

The Committee appointed by the last Assembly to report on the support of Indigent Widows of Ministers made a report, which was read

and placed on the Docket.

The Committee appointed by the last Assembly to confer with the widow of the late Professor Abner Jones in relation to the purchase of the copyright of her husband's version of the Book of Psalms made a report, which was read and placed on the Docket.

On motion of Dr. Dales, the paper relating to the support of Indigent Ministers and their widows was taken up and recommitted with instructions to report a resolution for the action of the Assembly.

The Report of the Committee appointed by the last Assembly to prepare a report in relation to the appointment of a General Treasurer was presented, read and placed on the Docket.

The Assembly agreed to meet this evening, at 7.30, in Committee

of the Whole on the subject of Foreign Missions.

The Minutes of the Synod of Illinois, and of the First Synod of the West, were presented, and referred to the Committee on Revision.

Took up the report of the Committee in reference to the appointment of a General Treasurer. The report was, after considerable discussion, laid on the table for the present.

The following resolution was offered by Revs. Drs. Findley, and J. G. Brown, which, after motions to amend it, was referred to the Com-

mittee on the Board of Publication; namely,

Resolved, That Revs. J. B. Clark, D. D., and R. A. Browne, D. D., and A. G. Wallace, be appointed a Committee to revise the Rules of Order of the Assembly, and procure their publication in connexion with our Book of Government for the use of the Assembly and subordinate courts of the church.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. R. W. French, was adopted;

namely:-

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to bring in a report relative to the publication of the Minutes of this General Assembly. The Committee consists of Revs. R. W. French, J. S. M'Culloch, and Mr. Wm. Gowdy.

Proceeded to appoint the Financial Agents and Superintendents of Missions in the several Presbyteries. The following appointments

were made.

FINANCIAL AGENTS AND SUPERINTENDENTS OF MISSIONS.

PRESBYTERIES.

Albany,

John Templeton, F. A.

Rev. J. A. Williamson, S. M. Johnstown, N.Y.

Allegheny,

Rev. J. B. Clark, D.D., F.A.

S.M.

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Albany, N.Y.

Allegheny City, Pa.

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Rev. J. C. Truesdale, F.A.
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Wm. E. Brown, Esq., F.A.
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,	Rev. J. Williamson, S.M.	Bellefontaine, O.
Stamford,	Rev. J. Gillespie, F. A.	Milton, C.W.
,	Rev. R. Achison, S. M.	Galt, C.W.
Steubenville,	Rev. Jos. Andrews, F.A.	Wellsville, O.
	Rev. W. R. Erskine, S. M.	Scroggsfield, O.
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Tennessee,	Samuel Carpenter, F.A.	Palmetto, Tenn.
	Rev. A. B. Coleman, S.M.	Fayetteville, Tenn.
Wabash,	Jas. Renwick, F.A.	Idaville, Ind.
· ·	Rev. G. Small, S. M.	Do.
Westmoreland,	Rev. J. D. Walkinshaw, F.A.	W. Newton, Pa. Buena Vista, Pa.
	Rev. J. S. Speer, S. M.	Wheeling, W. Va.
Wheeling,	Rev. J. T. McClure, F. A.	Cadiz, O.
	Rev. W. T. Meloy, S. M.	Warrensburg, Mo.
West Missouri,	Rev. S. Jamison, F.A. Do. S.M.	Do.
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White River,	Do. S. M.	Do.
717'	C. K. McEachron, F. A.	Union Grove, Wisc.
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Vonic	J. B. Carruthers, Esq., F. A.	
$\mathbf{Xenia},$	Rev. W. A. Robb, S. M.	Jamestown, O.
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A meeting of the Associate Synod at 3.30 this afternoon having been announced, leave of absence was asked and obtained for the members of that Synod who may be members of this Assembly.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. James Patter-

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FRIDAY, 2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes Assembly met. of the last session read and approved.

A memorial from the Second Clerk in reference to missionary statistics was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Statistics.

A memorial from the Presbytery of Wheeling, on the alteration of the Book of Government, in relation to the hearing of the trials of candidates for licensure, was presented and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Statistics of the Presbytery of Nebraska were presented and

referred to the Committee on Statistics.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a report, which was read. The first and second resolutions were adopted, and the rest of the report recommitted with instructions.

Rev. J. F. M'Laren, D.D., a Delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.,) was introduced to the Assembly.

The Delegate addressed the Assembly, and was responded to by the Moderator.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. M'Laren.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of the last session read and approved.

The Assembly, according to previous agreement, went into Committee of the Whole on the subject of Foreign Missions. Rev. S. F. Morrow was called to the chair. Rev. Dr. Jamison, formerly a missionary of the Old School Presbyterian Church, was invited to take part in the deliberations of the Committee.

The Committee arose and reported progress. The Assembly ad-Closed with prayer by Dr. Jamison.

SATURDAY, MAY 29, 8.45 A. M.

Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of Assembly met.

the last session read and approved.

The Report of the Clerks on the preparation of blanks and the publication of the Minutes was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance, the special Committee on the Publication of the Minutes, and the Committee on Statistics.

The Minutes of the Synod of Pittsburgh were presented and referred

to the Committee of Revision.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a Report on the organization of a new Synod by the division of the Synod of Illinois. The report was amended and adopted, and is as follows:—

Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures on the organization of a new Synod.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, to which were referred sundry papers touching the organization of a new Synod in the South-west, beg leave to offer the following report, namely:—

Three papers have been referred to us, namely:-

1. A memorial from the Presbytery of Kansas to the General Assembly, asking that the Presbyteries of St. Louis, West Missouri and Kansas, now in connexion with the Synod of Illinois, be constituted into a distinct Synod.

2. A memorial to the General Assembly from the Presbytery of West Missouri, asking that the Presbyteries of Nebraska, Kansas, and West Missouri be organ-

ized into a separate Synod.

3. A certified extract from the minutes of the Synod of Illinois, setting forth the fact that said Synod has adopted a resolution to memorialize the General Assem-

bly to inquire into the propriety of forming a new Synod in the South-west.

The principal reason urged in behalf of the object contemplated in those papers is, that much of the inconvenience and expense now incident to attendance on the meetings of the Synod of Illinois by the members of the Presbyteries of Kansas and West Missouri, might be avoided, should the change proposed be made.

Your committee are of the opinion that the request is not unreasonable, and especially so, as the growth of our church in the territory occupied by these Presby-

teries has of late been, and is likely yet to be, very rapid.

There seems to be no good reason for detaching the Presbytery of Nebraska from the Synod of Iowa, or that of St. Louis-from the Synod of Illinois. The following resolutions are therefore submitted for adoption, namely:-

1. Resolved, That the petition of the memorialists for the formation of a new

Synod be granted.

2. That this Synod shall comprise the Presbyteries of Western Missouri, and

3. That Rev. Samuel Jamison be, and he is hereby, appointed to preach a discourse, and afterwards constitute the Synod in question in the United Presbyterian Church, Leavenworth City, on Wednesday, September 29th, 1869, at 7 o'clock

P.M., Rev. J. N. Smith being his alternate for the performance of this duty.
4. That the Synod so constituted shall be designated "The Synod of Kansas." James Harper, Chairman. Respectfully submitted.

The Committee on Correspondence, whose report had been recommitted, made a report, which was as adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on Correspondence would submit the following report: Last year the General Assembly, with great cordiality and unanimity, appointed a Commissioner to convey the Christian salutations of the United Presbyterian Church to the Associate Reformed Synod of the South. That Commissioner has reported that he was received in a friendly manner. But a communication from a committee appointed by the Associate Reformed Synod has been received, setting forth that for the present it is not expedient that a correspondence be established between the churches. This we deeply regret, and cannot but express the hope that ere long our brethren may see their way clear to cordially reciprocate the act of the Assembly last year. However, under present circumstances, your committee recommend the following:-

Resolved, That another Commissioner to the Associate Reformed Synod of the South be not appointed until such time as we may be assured by that body of a

readiness to enter into a friendly correspondence with us.

Further, the Rev. T. H. Robinson, Commissioner of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, N. S., being unable to attend, has sent the congratulations of that body by letter.

Resolved, That the letter of Rev. T. H. Robinson be read and placed on file. · Also we recommend the following persons for appointment to convey the Christian salutations of this Assembly to the Churches hereafter named.

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.—Rev. W. W. Barr, Principal; Rev. James Price, Alternate.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, (O. S.) Rev. J. B. Dales, D. D., Principal; Rev. S. B. Reid, Alternate.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, (N. S.) Rev. J. T. M'Clure, Principal; Rev. J. R. Johnston, Alternate.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.—Rev. J. W. Witherspoon, Principal; Rev. J. R. Kerr, Alternate.

The General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.—Rev. R. Gracey,

D. D., Principal; Rev. R. II. Pollock, Alternate.

The Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church.—Rev. J. P. Scott, Principal;

Rev. Clark Kendall, Alternate.

The General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland .- The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland.—The Synod of the U. P. Church of Scotland.—John Alexander, Esq.

The letter referred to in the foregoing report was read.

On motion, so much of the Report of the Board of Publication as relates to a correspondence of said Board with the Board of Publication of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.,) was referred to the Committee appointed to prepare new versions of the Psalms.

The Committee appointed to confer with Committees of other Presbyterian bodies on the subject of union, made a Report, which was accepted, and its consideration was made the Order of the Day for Mon-

day, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Judicial Committee made a report on the appeal from the 1st Synod of the West in the case of Mr. Paden. The Report was accepted, and the consideration of it made the Order of the Day for next Tuesday, at 10 o'clock A.M. The Report is as follows:-

The case which gave rise to this appeal is the following: A Mr. Paden, a member of the congregation of Bethel in the Presbytery of Mercer, having married the sister of his deceased wife, was arraigned by the session, and the following sentence pronounced:-

"Resolved. That Mr. Paden be admonished before the session, and that a public

intimation of the same be made to the congregation."

From this decision a minority of the session appealed to the Presbytery. The Presbytery sustained the appeal, and instructed the session of the congregation of Bethel to suspend Mr. Paden from the privileges of the church until he give evidence of repentance. From this decision an appeal was taken, and the case brought before the First Synod of the west. The Synod sustained the appeal from the decision of the Presbytery. From this decision certain members of the Synod felt constrained to appeal, and hence the matter comes before this General Assembly for final adjudication.

The papers before us show that the appeal has been regularly conducted, and the case is now properly before the Assembly for action. To secure a decision upon this important question by the highest court of the church, your Committee present the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the appeal be not sustained.

The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church on the subject of union made the following report, which was accepted:—

The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the Reformed Presbyterian Church on the subject of union between the two churches, would respectfully

report:-

According to appointment a meeting of these committees was held in the city of Pittsburgh during last summer. The meeting was one of a pleasant, fraternal character. After conferring together, it was agreed not only that a union is desirable, but there is no serious obstacle in the way of accomplishing the object. To ascertain more definitely the views of brethren, the following resolutions were drawn up by a committee appointed for the purpose:

Resolved, That the United Presbyterian Church and the Reformed Presbyterian Church agree to form an organic union ou the basis of the principles embraced in their respective Testimonies and the other subordinate standards which they hold

in common.

Resolved, That these churches when united shall be called the United Presbyterian Church, consisting of the Reformed Presbyterian and the United Presbyterian Churches, and that the Supreme Judicatory of the united church shall be called the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

Resolved, That the Testimony of the United Presbyterian Church shall be ac-

knowledged as the Testimony of the united church.

The first two resolutions were adopted.

It was proposed by our brethren, that the third resolution should be amended by the addition of the clause, "and the Testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church;" so that it would read, "The Testimonies of the United Presbyterian and of the Reformed Presbyterian Churches shall constitute the Testimony of the united church."

As the committees were not prepared to agree in relation to this subject, it was proposed that we should adjourn to meet again at a future day for further consi-

deration.

At the time appointed for the adjourned meeting, the attendance was so limited that nothing could be done. It was therefore resolved by the brethren present that we report to our respective churches what we have done, and await further instructions.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. PRESSLY, Chairman.

The following resolution, offered by Dr. James Harper, was adopted: Resolved, That the Committee be reappointed to prosecute the work in which they have been engaged, should the Reformed Presbyterian Church see fit to continue the negotiation.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following addi-

tional report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on Correspondence report, that the credentials of the Rev. Andrew Wilson, commissioner of the Canada Presbyterian Church to this Assembly, have been submitted. We recommend the following:—

Resolved. That the Rev. Andrew Wilson be heard on Monday, at 11 o'clock.

The Assembly proceeded to fix the time and place for the meeting of the next Assembly. The Assembly agreed that this meeting should be held in the Second Church of Allegheny, on the 4th Wednesday of May, 1870, at 7.30, P.M.

Took up the reference of the last Assembly to this Assembly in relation to the reorganization of the Boards of Home Missions and Church Extension. The Report published in the Minutes of the last Assembly was then read, whereupon it was resolved, that, for the present, no change shall be made in the constitution of the Board of Home Missions.

The propositions in this reference relating to changes in the Board of Church Extension were referred to the Committee on the Board of Church Extension.

The Assembly adjourned to meet on Monday, at 8.45 A.M.

with prayer by Rev. J. N. Smith.

MONDAY, May 31, 8.45 A. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Pressly. Assembly met.

The Report of the Presbytery of Big Spring was presented and referred to the Committee on Narrative and State of Religion.

The Committee on the Board of Missions to the Freedmen presented

a Report, which was adopted, and is as follows:-

The Committee on the Board of Missions to the Freedmen would recommend to

the Assembly the following resolutions:-

Resolved, I. That we express our deep thankfulness to the God of the poor, for the gratifying success which he has given to this Board in its labours among the lowly and the despised, and that we renew our expressions of confidence in its efficiency and faithfulness.

2. That the time for consolidating the Freedmen's Board with the Home Mission

Board, has, in our judgment, not yet come.

3. That our mission at Knoxville be discontinued, in case the property can be disposed of on reasonable terms, to others who will carry on the work of educating the freedmen, and that the proceeds of such sale be applied elsewhere, according to the wisdom of the Board.

4. That the Board be instructed, as soon as the necessary funds can be obtained, to establish at such a place in the south as it may deem most advisable, a normal

school for the training of colored teachers.

5. That we place at the disposal of the Board the sum of \$11,200 as follows:-Vicksburg, \$4,300; Nashville, station No. 2, \$3,000; Leavenworth, \$1,000; and \$2,900 to meet the indebtedness of the past year.

6. That John Dean and James Mitchell, be re-elected, and that H. J. Murdoch J. McNeal, Chairman.

be chosen in the room of J. Patterson.

Mr. Thomas Johnston, the Treasurer of the Board of Education, tendered the resignation of his office. The resignation was accepted.

The Committee on the Board of Education presented a Report, which

was adopted, and is as follows:-

The Committee on the Board of Education would make the following report:-From the Report of the Board of Education, we learn, that twenty-five students were receiving aid during the past year. During the year ending the spring of 1868, there were twenty-nine beneficiaries. During the year ending the spring of 1867, there were forty.

We learn also from the report, that the Board received only \$4,527.25, of the

\$10,000, appropriated by the last Assembly.

It would also appear, that neither Westminster nor Monmouth college has received a cent of the amount granted by the Assemblies of 1867 and 1868, although the beneficiaries of the Board have been educated in these Colleges, without charge for

tuition.

These facts seem to indicate, that the Church is losing its confidence in our present system of giving aid to young men, preparing for the ministry. While your Committee have grave doubts as to the propriety of continuing the Board, we fear the church would not be willing to discontinue it without further trial. In our opinion the object intended to be accomplished by the Board of Education would be better reached by a system of Bursaries, as they are called in Scotland, or scholarships, as they are called in some of our American Theological Seminaries. But until some plan is proposed, which will be acceptable to the church, we would recommend that greater care be taken in recommending young men to the Board for assistance.

We submit the following resolutions for your approval:—
1. That the colleges of Monmouth and Westminster be requested to send to the Board of Education their bills for the tuition of the beneficiaries of the Board during the past two years, and that the Board be directed to pay these bills out

of the first money that comes into their hands.

2. That to assist in preventing any but worthy young men from receiving aid, the Board be directed to prepare three series of questions; one with reference to the student's circumstances, intentions, etc., to be answered by the student himself; one with reference to his piety, attainments, etc., to be answered by his Presbytery; and one with reference to his advancement in learning, habits of study, etc., to be answered by his instructors in the Academy, College or Theological Seminary.

3. That \$7000 be appropriated to the Board of Education for the coming year. 4. That Dr. D. A. Wallace and J. H. Martin be re-elected members of the Board; that Rev. J. M. Henderson be elected, to till the place of Rev. R. B. Ewing, who

declines re-election, and J. A. Templeton to fill the place of J. E. Irvine, deceased. 5. That Rev. G. D. Henderson be elected Treasurer of the Board.

By order of the Com. WM. J. REID, Ch'n. Respectfully submitted.

The Committee on the Report of the Trustees of the General Assembly presented a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:-

Your Committee on the Report of the Board of Trustees of the Assembly would

respectfully report,-

That whereas the term of office, as Trustees of the General Assembly, of James M'Candless, David Reed, and Graham Scott, will expire on the first of July next,-therefore.

Resolved, That said James M'Candless, David Reed and Graham Scott, be reelected. All which is respectfully submitted. G. M. WILLY, Chairman.

The memorial of the Presbytery of Philadelphia on the subject of Secret Societies was referred to the Committee on Secret Societies.

The paper of Dr. James Harper, Chairman of the Committee on the revision of New Versions of Psalms, was read and referred to a Special Committee.

Dr. Dales, Rev. James Crowe and Mr. Wm. Getty were appointed to nominate said Committee. Dr. Harper's paper is as follows:-

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in Monmouth, Illinois, on May 26, 1869.

The undersigned, a member of the Committee appointed by last Assembly to revise the recently adopted versions of psalms, begs leave to submit the following

statement; namely:-

During last winter, I wrote to all the other members of the Committee, suggesting the course which I supposed would be most conducive to the accomplishment of the object of our appointment, asking them also, whether they thought a meeting of the committee should be held, and requesting that at all events they would forward to me by the 1st of April their criticisms and proposed amendments. this circular I received a reply from one member to the effect that numerous and weighty engagements would render it impossible for him to serve; from another, that he would devote attention to the subject assigned us, and furnish me with the results of his labours; while from the remaining member of the committee I have received no reply.

Candour compels me to state, that owing to an unusual demand upon my time and energy, I have been able to bestow but a very slight measure of attention on the matter in question. A cursory examination of the versions adopted has confirmed me in the opinion previously held, that there are in them serious blemishes, but, at the same time, proved to me how difficult it would be to make satisfactory changes. The member of the Committee, Rev. P. Y. Smith, who seems to have applied himself most diligently to the matter of revision, has forwarded to me a considerable number of criticisms on the adopted versions, but not suggested sub-

stitutes for the rejected portions.

Dr. Beveridge has been kind enough to furnish me with a large number of remarks and renderings which had occurred to him in the course of his labours in preparing a new version of the Book of Psainis; and from this store of suggestions; much help; I doubt not, may be derived for the prosecution of the work of revision. If a committee could be appointed, consisting of persons who could easily meet for conference, the object contemplated might be more speedily attained. If continued as a member, I shall try to be more efficient than in the past year; but, if relieved from serving, I shall feel grateful; especially as I make no pretentions to the constructive ability demanded in such a position.

1 offer this, individually, as a statement of facts, and not as a formal report of the committee.

Respectfully presented.

James Harper.

The Statistical Table of the Presbytery of Detroit was presented and referred to the Committee on Statistics.

The Report of the Committee to confer with Mrs. Abner Jones in reference to the copyright of her late husband's version of the Book of Psalms was taken up, and after some discussion, was laid on the table.

The Report of the Committee on the preparation of New Versions of the Psalms was taken up, and was adopted and is as follows:—

The Committee on a new version of the Psalms spent during the last winter about two weeks in the business assigned to them. They reviewed and amended twelve of the versions of the second volume which had not been adopted, and prepared sixteen more, in all twenty-eight, which are herewith presented for the consideration of the Assembly. They have now prepared and published in the first two volumes 138 versions. Of these, 97 have been adopted, extending to 86 psalms. The present addition extends the number of versions to 154, including altogether 116 psalms, leaving 34 of which no new version has been published.

There are manuscripts of some of these in the hands of the committee, but not in such a state that they could feel warranted to present them to the Assembly. Thus it appears that there are 64 psalms of which no new versions have been adopted. These also are mostly of the longer ones, such as psalms 68, 69, 73, 74, 78, 104, 105, 106, 107, and 119. However, five of these Psalms have duplicates in the old version, so that there are but 59 of which we have no authorized duplicates. Should any of the 28 now presented to the Assembly be adopted, these will so far diminish the above number. Supposing these to be as favourably received as the former two vols., the number of versions adopted would extend to more than 120, and embrace more than 100 of the Psalms, leaving less than one third of the whole book without duplicates. Perhaps the Assembly will judge that sufficient progress has been made in this work. If so, it is suggested, that after deciding respecting such corrections of the adopted versions as may be proposed by the committee appointed to revise them, the Assembly might, (as was done in the case of the 2d vol.,) allow such of the 28 versions as may receive a certain specified majority, to be considered as adopted. They might then authorize a publication of the old version with the new versions inserted in their proper places. The present mode of publishing the new versions separately in pamphlet form is attended with much inconvenience, and hinders the introduction of them among such as would otherwise be disposed to use them. T. Beveridge, Chairman.

On motion of Dr. Clokey, the twenty-eight new versions referred to, were overtured by the Assembly to the Presbyteries.

So much of the foregoing report as relates to the publication of the New Versions adopted by the Assembly was referred to the Board of Publication.

On motion, the Committee on the preparation of New Versions of the Psalms was continued, and the Rev. W. H. Jeffers was appointed in the place of Rev. R. D. Harper, D. D.

Rev. H. H. Blair, the Delegate of the last Assembly to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, reported verbally, that he had fulfilled his appointment.

The following resolution, offered by Dr. J. B. Dales and Dr. J. T.

Pressly, was adopted by the Assembly.

Resolved, That this General Assembly have learned with regret of the enfeethed health of the Rev. Douglass and in the enfeethed health of the Rev. Douglass and in

grateful remembrance of his long life and labours in the ministry, and service of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Assembly hereby extend to him their sympathy, and commend him, in his increasing years and infirmities, to the grace of our covenant God and Saviour.

The following additional resolution, offered by Dr. J. G. Brown,

was adopted by the Assembly:-

Resolved, That the Assembly invite Rev. Dr. M'Dill to meet with them and address the Assembly at such time as may suit his conveni-

ence and that of the Assembly.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the hearing of the Rev. Andrew Wilson, the Delegate of the Presbyterian Church of Canada. Mr. Wilson was accordingly introduced, and addressed the Assembly, and was responded to by the Moderator.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. A. Wilson.

2 o'clock, P. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes

of the last session read and approved.

A memorial from Messrs. Graham and Wallace, in reference to certain money borrowed for the Third Church of Chicago, was presented and referred to the Committee on the Board of Church Extension.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a report on the memorial of the Presbytery of Wheeling, on the memorial of the Synod of Illinois, and on the memorial from the Presbytery of Monmouth.

The report on these respective memorials was adopted, and is as fol-

lows:--

'The Committee on Bills and Overtures beg leave to offer the following reports on different matters referred to them:—

I. On the memorial from the Presbytery of Wheeling asking the General Assembly to take order for changing a clause in that chapter in the Book of Government which

treats of probationers.

The Presbytery desires the Assembly to take the appropriate measures for altering and amending the Book of Government and Discipline so as to leave it to the discretion of Presbyteries to hear the trial exercises for license, either at the same meeting at which license is granted or at some previous time. The clause, we presume, to which the Presbytery takes exception is contained in Part II., Chap. V., Sec. 4, and is this:—"These trial exercises shall be heard at the time of licensure." This clause occurs immediately after an enumeration of the different trial exercises which are to be delivered by candidates for license.

According to the fair interpretation of this clause, Presbyteries are enjoined to hear all the exercises alluded to at the same meeting at which license to preach the gospel

is conferred.

But compliance with such a regulation is sometimes impracticable or very inconvenient, and may, even when yielded, be merely formal and hurried in its character. Besides, there seems no great advantage to be secured by such a rule. It is true, indeed, that Presbyteries may take it upon them to set aside the rule when they find that to observe it would be attended with much inconvenience. But such a principle once admitted might be carried to a very injurious extent. Besides, such a method of treating regulations which form a part of the permanent law of the church tends to corrupt the conscience, and involves something very much akin to lying. Influenced by such considerations, your committee recommend, that the following action be taken by the General Assembly; namely:—

Resolved, That the following question be and hereby is, transmitted in overture to the Presbyteries of the church, with instructions to report their answers respectively

touching the same to the next General Assembly; namely:-

Shall the clause contained in the Book of Government, Part II., Chap. V., Sec. 4, "These trial exercises shall be heard at the time of licensure" be stricken out?

II. A memorial from the Synod of Illinois asking for the revision of article 3, headed "Appeals," Chap. XII., Part III., of the Book of Government.

In the extract from the minutes of Synod which is presented in the paper of memorial, there is no specific information conveyed as to the reasons why the memorialists desire this revision. The following preamble and resolution are therefore submitted for adoption; namely:-

Whereas the Synod of Illinois has not specified any of the difficulties which, it alleges, attach to the interpretation and application of the article in question, therefore,

Resolved, That the memorial be respectfully returned to the Synod of Illinois with intimation that said Synod, if desirous of the revision of the Article aforementioned, specify particularly the grounds on which revision is sought, or the objectionable features of the Article in question.

III. A memorial from the Presbytery of Monmouth asking the General Assembly to take the proper action for altering the constitution of the Board of Home Missions. so that Presbyteries should be required to elect commissioners to said Board for a term of three years instead of one year.

In relation to this memorial, your committee recommend the adoption of the fol-

lowing preamble and resolution; namely:-

Whereas the General Assembly has determined at this meeting that it is inexpedient to make any changes in the constitution of the Board of Home Missions at present. Therefore, Resolved, That said action be the answer of the Assembly to the memorialists. Respectfully submitted. JAMES HARPER, Chairman.

The Judicial Committee presented a report in relation to certain questions touching the scriptural grounds of divorce, referred by the Presbytery of Des Moines to this Assembly. The Report was adopted, and is as follows:--

Inasmuch as unscriptural views of the marriage relation are becoming prevalent in many parts of our land, so that its obligations are disregarded by many, and divorces for slight and unwarrantable reasons are becoming more and more frequent, and inasmuch as the questions proposed by the Presbytery of Des Moines imply some doubt as to the accordance of our subordinate standards with the teaching of the Word of God on this important subject, and inasmuch as the answer to these questions will settle a general principle for the guidance of the church in the administration of discipline, therefore,

Resolved, That these questions be referred to a select committee to report to John G. Brown, Chairman.

the next Assembly.

The questions referred to in the above resolution are as follow:-

1. Does a divorce, secured on the ground of "wilful desertion," leave the party

at liberty to marry again?

2. If not, and yet a member of the church marries such a person in good faith. and under the impression that it is entirely lawful, how far should a church court extend forbearance in such a case?

Drs. Young, Scott and Wallace were appointed the Committee con-

templated in the foregoing Report.

The Committee on the Board of Publication made a report, which was amended, and in part adopted. Pending the consideration of the Report, the order of the day arrived, namely, the consideration of the Report of the Committee on union between Presbyterian bodies. The Report of the Committee was read and discussed. Pending the . discussion, the Assembly agreed to meet at 7.30 P.M.

The Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer, by Dr. Dales.

7.30, P. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of the last session read and approved.

The Committee on the Board of Church Extension presented a report,

which was read and put upon the Docket.

Resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on union with other Presbyterian bodies. Rev. D. M'Dill having the floor, it was, on his motion, laid upon the table until to-morrow morning.

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Resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Board of Publication. The report was adopted, and is as follows:—

During the past year the work of the Board seems to have been successfully carried forward, and the same wise policy pursued as in past years. Though but little more than one third of the appropriation of last year was received, thus, in some degree crippling the operations of the Board, yet the report and the financial exhibit accompanying, show that it is in a healthy financial condition. In addition to furnishing such a Christian literature as the necessities of the church demand, the Board proposes an important work in aiding Sabbath Schools in weak congregations and mission stations, and should therefore promptly receive the appropriations that from year to year are granted.

The Board states that the "Rules of Order" have not yet been published as directed by the last Assembly, and they also speak of their difficulty in securing

new books for publication.

In view of all the facts reported by the Board, your committee recommend the

adoption of the following:

That Dr. R. A. Browne, and Revs. W. J. Reid and A. G. Wallace, be a committee to revise the Rules of Order for the government of the Assembly, and report to the next Assembly.

2. That the Board be authorized to encourage the preparation of original works, by paying a reasonable price for manuscripts which, in their judgment, are suitable

for publication.

3. That applications to the Board for donations to Sabbath Schools, in weak congregations and mission stations, be made through the Superintendents of Missions in the Presbyteries, or, if at all practicable, through the Presbyteries.

4. That \$5,000 be appropriated to the Board of Publication for the ensuing year, and that congregations be earnestly recommended to contribute their respective quotas, that the full amount may be secured.

5. That the action of the Board, in appointing Rev. Samuel Collins as superin-

tendent be confirmed by this Assembly.

6. That Revs. J. S. Hawk, R. Gracey, D. D., and Mr. Charles Arbuthnot be elected to fill the places that are vacant in the Board.

W. Johnston, Chairman.

On motion of Rev. D. F. Reid, Dr. J. T. Pressly was appointed to respond to Dr. M'Dill, should he address the Assembly.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Clokey.

TUESDAY, 8.45 A.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes

of the last session read and approved.

The Committee on the Board of Foreign Missions presented a report, which was discussed. Pending the discussion of this Report, the Order of the day arrived, namely, the consideration of the Appeal from the First Synod of the West, in the case of Mr. Paden.

The Assembly, on motion, postponed the order of the day with the view of proceeding with the consideration of the Report of the Com-

mittee on the Board of Foreign Missions.

Proceeded to consider the Report of the Committee on the Board of Foreign Missions. The Report was adopted, and is as follows:—

Your committee have given the various subjects brought to their notice as careful consideration as time and circumstances would permit, and would therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following:—

1. That we bow with humble reverence and heartfelt submission to the sovereign will of God in removing by death Rev. G. W. Scott, our devoted and faithful missionary in India, and Mrs. Adelaide M Kelvey, just entering upon her labours in China; and in deeply afflicting other mission families, by taking away children dear to their hearts. Also, in removing by death the wife of Rev. Win. O. Scott, our co-labourer of the Irish Presbyterian mission in Damascus;—that in these bereavements we recognise the hand of a merciful and righteous God, who doeth all things well,—and extend to the bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathies.

- 2. That notwithstanding the severe trials through which our missionaries have passed, and the pecuniary embarrassments under which they have laboured, God has blessed their labours and crowned them with success, for which our united thanks are due to Him in whose name and in dependence upon whose blessing Christian labour shall not be in vain.
- 3. That the thanks of this Assembly, and of the entire branch of the church which we represent, are due to, and are hereby freely given, to those persons and societies in this and other lands which have so generously aided in carrying on the great mission work in which we are engaged, and especially to his Highness Maharejah Dhulcep Singh, for his continued munificence and personal interest in our mission in Egypt, and his proposed assistance to the mission at Gujranwala, India.
- 4. That the cause of Foreign Missions be earnestly commended to a still more frequent and fervent remembrance in the prayers of the closet, the family and the sanctuary, in all our churches.
- 5. That congregations and subbath schools be urged to raise funds for Foreign Missions, in such way as they may deem best, as early in the Assembly's Financial year as possible, that the Board may be able to furnish our missionaries with the funds necessary to carry on their work.
- 6. In view of the want of funds to furnish mission premises necessary to carry on the work properly in Canton, China, and that Brother Nevin, who has so long faithfully laboured in that field, has felt it his duty for the benefit of his motherless children to return for a time to his native land, leaving Brother M·Kelvey alone in that land, unable to enter fully upon the mission work, from want of sufficient time as yet to acquire the language, that the Assembly direct the Board to transfer Brother M·Kelvey to such other field of labour as may be mutually agreeable to himself and the Board.
- 7. That the Board be directed to confer with Brother Nevin, on his arrival in this country, or as soon after as convenient, in reference to his return to China, and, should he be willing to remain in this country, that the Board consider the propriety of employing him as missionary to the Chinese in California, and be authorized so to employ him, if it should be deemed advisable.
- 8. That in case it is Brother Nevin's firm purpose to return again to his field of labour in China, it is the duty of the Board and of the church to maintain him.
- 9. That in view of the facility of access between the Egyptian and Syrian missions, and the use of the same language in both mission fields, the Board be directed to take such action as may be necessary to unite the Egyptian and Syrian missions into one mission.
- 10. That the Assembly recognise Abyasinia as an extension of the Egyptian mission, and that the Board be directed to take steps for the occupancy of that field by means of the force now in Egypt, with the addition, if necessary, of a medical missionary from this country.
- 11. That the thanks of this Assembly are due to those two Christian friends who have so generously offered to pay the annual salaries of two suitable female missionaries who may be selected and sent out to re-enforce the India mission, and that, as one has already been selected, the Board be directed to select an additional missionary, and that the two be sent out to India as soon as practicable.
- 12. That the sum of \$70,000 currency is, in the judgment of this Assembly, absolutely necessary to carry on our Foreign Mission work for the coming year.
- 13. That the sum of \$100 be paid annually for the support of each of the children of our missionaries who have been returned to this country to obtain an education, and that they be provided with tuition free in any college under the care of the United Presbyterian Church.
- 14. That the action of the Assembly in 1866 and 1868 in reference to the pay of returned missionaries be rescinded, and that rule 10, in General Rules and Recommendations, be amended by striking out the words "six months or one year" and inserting in their stead "not more than two years."
- 15. That Rev. J. B. bales, and Mr. John Alexander, whose term of office expires at this meeting, be re-elected, and that Rev. J. M. Hutchison be elected to fill the place formerly held by Mr. S. C. Huey.

  Respectfully submitted.

  John P. Scott, Chairman.

The Statistics of the Mission in Egypt were presented and referred to the Committee on Statistics.

The following resolution, offered by Drs. J. T. Pressly and J. B. Dales, was adopted; namely:

The Rev. Samuel Findley, D. D., one of the oldest ministers of the United Presbyterian Church, being not only now far advanced in life, but in feeble health and entirely disqualified for active service, the General Assembly take this opportunity to manifest their sympathy and profound respect for our venerable father.

Resolved, That this General Assembly cherishes a grateful remembrance of the important services of our venerable father during a long and active life, and our earnest prayer is, that in the evening of life, he may enjoy, in abundant measure, peace with God and joy in the Holy Ghost, and that at the appointed time, his sun may go down in an unclouded sky.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the consideration of the

Report of the Judicial Committee on the Appeal from the First Synod of the West in the case of Mr. Paden.

The papers in this case were read, namely, the Records of the First Synod of the West, the Reasons of Protest and Appeal, and the Answers to these Reasons by a Committee of the Synod.

The Assembly agreed that the parties should be heard alternately

by their representatives.

The Assembly agreed that the consideration of this appeal should be made the Order of the Day, for this afternoon, immediately after the reading of the Minutes.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer, by Rev. John Williamson.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Proceeded to the Order of the Day, namely, the consideration of the Appeal from the First Synod of the West. Rev. J. N. Dick, on behalf of the appellants, and Rev. D. W. French on behalf of the appellee, addressed the Assembly.

Assembly postponed the consideration of the subject till 7 o'clock P.M.

The Committee on Statistics presented a report, which was amended and adopted, and is as follows:—

Statistical Tables have been received from all the Presbyteries, except those in foreign lands. These reports are, in general, highly creditable and satisfactory. But there are some defects which ought to be pointed out. Some of the presbyteries have not given the post-office address of ministers without charge, and this omission, besides causing much trouble to the Second Clerk, will necessarily make

his list of ministers incomplete.

Some reports are so defaced by blotting and interlining as to a ake them almost unintelligible. Very many of the reports are not correctly added up,—a defect which the committee cannot correct, even if they should undertake the work, without access to the congregational reports; and notwithstanding the plain directions on the back of the blanks, the presbyteries of Cleveland and Nebraska reported cents in their columns of contributions, which must be omitted in printing, thus making errors in their aggregates; and the Presbyteries of Princeton, Delaware, Vermont, Minnesota and Wisconsin did not add up the columns.

There appears to be no uniform standard by which to estimate the number of families in the congregations, and in the crowded state of our tables, this column might very properly be omitted. Your committee would, therefore, recommend

the following resolution:-

Resolved, That the Second Clerk be authorized to omit the column of "families"

in the printed tables.

The blank forms for statistical tables, prepared by the Clerks in accordance with the direction of the last Assembly, have been examined by the committee, and in their judgment they embrace, in a neat and correct form, every thing necessary to preserve the statistics of the church. Therefore,—

Resolved, That the statistical blanks, prepared by the Clerks, be approved.

Upon the paper of Rev. A. G. Wallace, with reference to missionary statistics, your committee would report, that, in their judgment, full statistics of the several departments of missionary work are very desirable, and would therefore recom-

mend the following action:-

Resolved, That the Second Clerk, in connexion with the Corresponding Secretaries of the various Boards, be instructed to prepare blanks adapted to the several departments of mission work, and that these blanks be so arranged as to show the following items: 1. Stations; 2. Labourers; 3. Membership; 4. Attendance on ordinances; 5. Sabbath schools and secular schools, where there are any; 6. Contributions; 7. Salaries; 8. Expenses; 9. Contributions received from other sources than the church; 10. Publication and sale of books and tracts; 11. Value of property, and any other items that they may consider necessary to exhibit the progress of the work.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. M'NARY, Ch.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. W. R. Erskine.

7 o'clock, P. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of the last session read and approved.

Resumed the consideration of the appeal. Dr. Findley, in behalf of

the appellants, addressed the Assembly.

The Assembly postponed the consideration of the appeal until after the reading of the Minutes to-morrow morning.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Dr. Blaikie.

WEDNESDAY, 8.45 A.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by Dr. Clokey. Minutes of the last session read and approved.

Resumed the consideration of the appeal. Rev. J. P. Scott ad-

dressed the Assembly on behalf of the Synod.

It was agreed that no speaker should speak oftener than once on the merits of the appeal, nor for a longer time than three minutes.

It was agreed that the names of the voters should be recorded. The vote was taken, and is as follows:—

# TO SUSTAIN THE APPEAL.

#### NOT TO SUSTAIN.

TO SUSTAIN THE APPEAL.		101 10 1001		
Ministers. S. F. Morrow, W. B. Short, Geo. M. Wiley, Alex. Blaskie, Geo. M. Hall, D. S. Littell, James A. McKee, R. W. French, S. McArthur, J. C. Greer, J. D. Gibson, Andrew McCartney, S. H. Graham, H. W. Crabbe, J. N. Smith, James Patterson, J. S. Buchanan, G. W. Torrence, J. Y. Ashenhust, J. N. Buchanan, S. Millen, J. M. Henderson, S. C. Marshall, A. H. Caldwell, James P. Lytle, 1. A. Wilson. James Harper, John Erskine, J. S. McCullough, James Crowe, J. B. Dales, Jos. H. Leiper, W. R. Erskine,	James Kelso, J. B. Johnson, W. G. Spencer, J. W. M.Nary. Total, 39.  Elders. Wm. Reid, Robert Pinkerton, S. Lowman, Wm. McCrae. J. Duncan, A. C. Leal, Thomas Ramsey, W. Weir, Joel Jamison, David Turner, G. S. Erskine, David Turnerl, G. S. Erskine, David Turnbull, Samuel Mahood, Henry Harrison, James Brown, Robert Stewart, Robert Biggart, Thomas Godfrey, R. G. Ramsey, Alexander George, William Rutherford, Thomas Barnes, George McCague, John Shaw, William Paul, Joseph Collins, Samuel Anderson. Total, 27.	Ministers.  R. G. Ferguson, J. C. Bigham, Vm. Morrow, John Rippey, W. A. Pollock, D. MacDill, M. S. Telford, Wm. Johnson, W. P. McNary, Wm. M. Richie, John S. Ross, W. M. Gibson, D. F. Reid, J. M. Waddle, S. W. Lorimer, J. G. Brown, W. J. Reid, S. B. Reed, G. D. Mathews, John Y. Scouller, N. E. Wade, E. T. Jeffers, A. S. Montgomery, Henry Wallace, J. M. Wallace, W. C. Dunn, John Williamson. R. N. Fee, James McNeal, Gilbert Small, J. W. M. Farland, J. T. M. Clure, Josial Thompson,	Randal Ross, M. M. Brown, J. A. Vance, Joseph Clokey, J. B. McMichaei, Total, 33.  Elders.  James Savage, A. Hyson, Wn. Gowdy, John G. Clark, John Thom, James L. Harkness, Simeon Wykoff, John Wood, N. Patton, J. C. Briggs, James Dawson, Smith Hamill, J. F. Harper, J. H. Martin, E. Robb, Wm. Getty, R. T. Elliott, James Morrison, J. B. M. Cracken, Solomon Benticy, James Kerr, Wm. M. Clarke, Pavid Brown, Thomas White. Total, 21. Total Nays, 62	
I R. Finney.	Total Ayes, 66.	1		

The appeal was declared to be sustained.

Mr. A. M. Ferrier was excused from voting. Rev. A. Wilson, delegate from the Canada Presbyterian Church, made a brief parting address to the Assembly.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. S. C. Marshall.

2 o'clock P.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of the last session read and approved.

A paper from S. F. Thompson, in reference to Smeadsville, Tenn., was presented and read. The paper was referred to the Committee on the Board of Home Missions.

The Committee on Finance made a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

# I REPORTS OF THE BOARDS.

These have been carefully examined, and found to be correct; but, with the exception of the account of the Foreign Mission Board, no vouchers were sent; and your committee had to take it for granted that the disbursements were properly made. Two of the accounts have been audited; namely, Home Mission Board and Freedmen's Mission Board. It would, perhaps, be more satisfactory if all the accounts were audited by at least two members of the different boards. Vouchers should also accompany the accounts.

The amount of funds received by the boards during the year is \$138,588.35;

being \$21,000 less than the contributions of the previous year.

The Board of Freedmen's Missions appears to be in debt about \$3,300.

## II. REPORTS OF TREASURERS OF SPECIAL FUNDS.

These have been examined and found correct.

The Agent of the San Francisco Fund reported a balance on hand last year

of \$162.45. On examination, it should have been \$152.70.

The Superannuated Ministers' Fund has a balance of \$1217.18, and investments of \$3,486; making, in all, \$4,703.18. The investments appear to be in loans to individuals. It might be proper to suggest, that all investments of money should be made in securities of undoubted character,-such as United States bonds or bonds and mortgages of real estate.

The General Assembly Fund is sadly deficient, and seems to have been en-

tirely overlooked by the majority of the churches.

## III. STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE VARIOUS FUNDS.

Name.	Bal. on hand.	Total Receipts.	Total Payments.	Bal. on hand.
	May 1st, 1868.	-	•	May 1st, $1869$ .
Foreign Miss.		50,624.62.	56,830.31.	1,998.55.
Home Do.	3.01.	40,053.87.	37,675.58.	2,378.29.
Freedmen Do	. 1,050.95.	12,701.11.	12,330.55.	1,421.51.
Publication.	1,880.56.	23,910.37.	21,102.32.	4,688.61.
Church Exten	. 320.46.	1,724.69.	1,466.30.	578.85.
Education,	981.46.	3,545.79.	3,330.32.	1,196.93.
Bible Fund,	220.70.	60.00	86.59.	194.11.
Superan, Min		1,350.96.	1,387.40.	1,217.18.
S. Francisco B		3,583.51.	3.080.37.	655.84.
Gen. Ass'y's F	und, 3 <b>4,4</b> 7.	1,043.43.	893.50.	184.40.
	14,112.17.	138.588.35.	138,183.24.	

#### IV. LEGACIES.

The following bequests were made to the Board of Home Missions:—

Estate of Jane Smith, deceased, 267.00. Estate of Nicholas M'Connell, dec., 200.00. Estate of John Robinson, 100.00. Estate of Miss Almy M'Kee, 470.00.

Estate of R. M. Wilson, 282.00. Gift of Miss Johnston, 120,00. Legacy of Isaac J. Lewis, 10,00. Brownlee's estate, 9.50. Total, 1,458.50.

To the Board of Foreign Missions:—Estate of Nicholas M'Connell, deceased, 200. Estate of Jas. A. Wilkin, 25. Estate of Almy M'Kee, 500. Estate of Jane Smith, 300. Estate of C. M. Rea, 200. Estate of Alex. Templeton, 50. Estate of Margaret M'Cleery, 25. Estate of W. R. Latta, 1000. Estate of Elizabeth Riddle, 15. Total, 2,315.

To Board of Freedmen's Mission,—Brownlee's estate, 9.50.

To Bible Fund,—Young's legacy, 60.00.

To Board of Church Extension, -Estate of John Robinson, deceased, 100.00. Total amount of bequests, \$3.943.00.

No report has been received in regard to the donation of \$500 from Joseph K. Rankin, which was to have been paid to the Home Mission Board; and no account of moneys which were to have been paid to the Trustees of the General Assembly by the executor of the estate of Miss Sarah Allen.

#### V. ORDERS TO BE GRANTED.

Resolved, That the Principal Clerk of the General Assembly be instructed to draw upon the Treasurer of the Assembly for the amount of his own salary; also the salary of the Second Clerk, and the travelling and incidental expenses of both clerks, amounting in all to the sum of \$215.50. The incidental expenses to include all sums paid for printing blanks, postage, etc.—For \$20 in favour of the sexton of the Second United Presbyterian Church, Monmouth.

#### VI. RECOMMENDATIONS.

Resolved, 1. That legal advice be obtained by the Trustees of the General Assembly in the preparation of proper forms of bequests to the various Boards and benevolent organizations of the church; that these forms, when duly prepared, shall be printed on the cover of the minutes and in the newspapers and periodicals of the church.

2. That the accounts of each Board shall be audited by not less than two members of the Board, and that vouchers shall, in all cases, accompany the reports.

3. That all investments should be made in securities of the most undoubted character, and that a list of such securities shall be furnished by the treasurers of the Boards and other funds of the church along with their annual reports.

4. That the sum of \$2,000 should be raised at the earliest moment for the

General Assembly's Fund.

On examination of the statistics of the last General Assembly, it was found that the total amount paid as salary to pastors was \$318,374,—that the number of settled pastors was 401,—that the average salary to each was \$794. It was also found, that out of 541 ministers, only 40 received a salary of \$1,000 and upwards;—that 172 ministers received salaries ranging from \$600 to \$1000;—that fifty-one received salaries ranging from \$450 to 600, and that 278 ministers of this church were paid salaries ranging from \$30 to \$450. In view of such a state of things, your committee were not surprised that the contributions of the church for benevolent purposes were so small. The wonder is, that they are so large. While such is the condition of the church, no great progress can be expected. The minister should be well paid: he should be made to feel comfortable at least: his mind should not be distracted with thoughts as to how his family shall be supported, and his old age provided for. The following resolution is therefore submitted:—

5. Resolved, That \$1500 should be the average salary of the ministers of this

church, and that no minister should receive less than \$1,000.

The statistics of the past year show total contributions of \$729,639. Estimating the average income of each member of the church at \$500, the total from 65,000 members would be the large sum of \$32,500,000. The church has then, if this be correct, contributed less than 2½ per cent. of this amonnt. An increase to five per cent., (only one half of the scripture standard,) would realize \$1,600,000,—a sum amply sufficient to pay liberal salaries to all the ministers of the church,—to support all the Boards of the church,—to build new churches,—to educate young men for the ministry,—to endow one or more theological seminaries,—to provide for aged and infirm ministers and their families, and leave a large surplus for new enterprises. Can it not be done?

6. Resolved, That there can be no question as to the duty of each member of the church to contribute five per cent. of his income to the Lord's work, and that

all are earnestly recommended to do so during the present year.

7. That the thanks of the General Assembly are hereby tendered to the Treasurers of the various boards for the faithful services rendered to the church during the past year.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. Getty, Ch.

The Committee on Narrative and State of Religion presented a report, which was discussed, and, with the exception of the first resolution, was adopted.

The first resolution was referred to a special committee, to report thereon to the next Assembly. The committee consists of Revs. R. W. French, W. P. M'Nary, R. G. Ferguson and A. G. Wallace.

The committee appointed to nominate persons as a committee to revise the new versions of the Psalms that have been adopted by the Assembly, reported the following names; namely, Revs. W. W. Barr, J. T. Cooper, D. D., and James Harper, D. D. The report of the com-

mittee was adopted.

The special committee appointed by the Assembly of 1867 to bring in a report on a memorial from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, in relation to the Fifteenth Article of the Testimony, made a report, which was discussed at length. Pending the discussion of this report, the hour of adjournment arrived. It was agreed that the Assembly should meet at 7 o'clock this evening, and that the consideration of the report should be resumed immediately after the reading of the Minutes.

The Assembly made the order of the day for to-morrow morning, immediately after the reading of the Minutes, the consideration of the

report of the committee on the Board of Home Missions.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Gilbert Small.

WEDNESDAY, 7 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes

of the last session were read and approved.

The action of the Assembly in the former session, directing the special committee appointed to report to the next Assembly, on the 1st resolution of the report of the committee on Narrative and State of Religion, was reconsidered, and the committee was instructed to report to-morrow.

The following resolution, offered by Drs. Dales and Clark, was adopted: Resolved, That in case it shall be found that the salary of an additional female missionary for Egypt, will be paid without expense to our treasury, the Board be directed to select and send such re-enforcement out during the year, to that mission.

The following resolution, offered by Drs. Dales and Findley, was

adopted:-

Whereas the field for our church to occupy with the gospel, both at home and abroad, is constantly enlarging, and thus gives earnest call for an increase of the ministry,—the Board of Home Missions having now applications for nearly one hundred labourers and only about seventy-five effective men to supply the want, and the Board of Foreign Missions having pressing calls for all the men that the funds in the treasury will, in any way, allow them to send forth, and

Whereas, it is believed that there are young men in our churches who may be

Whereas, it is believed that there are young men in our churches who may be led, through the working of the Word and Spirit of God upon their hearts, and the faithful presentation of the call for an increase of the ministry, to devote

themselves to it,-therefore,

Resolved, That all our congregations be called upon to pray the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest; that parents be urged to consecrate their sons, by prayer and godly training, to the service of God, and that ministers frequently bring this subject before their people in their public ministrations, and, together with elders and others, look out and encourage pious and suitable young men to enter upon courses of thorough preparation for the holy ministry.

A paper offered by Drs. Dales and Clark, proposing to the Assembly to overture to the Presbyteries Chapter 24th, Sect. 4th, second clause, of the Confession of Faith, was, on motion, referred to the committee on Bills and Overtures.

Proceeded to the consideration of the report of the committee on

Secret Societies. After a lengthy discussion, the previous question was moved on the first resolution by Rev. J. N. Smith, and seconded by D. Turnbull, and sustained by the Assembly. The main question was then put. The Report was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Special Committee appointed by the General Assembly at its meeting in Xenia, in May, 1867, to take under consideration a memorial from the Presbytery of Philadelphia on the subject of Secret Societies, and to which was referred a second memorial from the same Presbytery, on the same subject at this meeting

of the Assembly, reports as follows:

The first paper referred to, asks the Assembly "to give a definite deliverance on the subject of Secret Societies, declaring whether the members of all secret societies are excluded from the communion of the church, by the article in the Testimony on the subject.—and, further, declaring distinctly by name what societies or associations are prohibited by the aforesaid article."

The article on Secret Societies declares, "That all associations, whether formed for political or benevolent purposes, which impose upon their members an oath of secreey, or an obligation to obey a code of unknown laws, are inconsistent with the genius and spirit of Christianity, and church members ought not to

have fellowship with such associations."

The society of Free Masons, and that of Odd Fellows, were not only in existence at the time of the adoption of this article of the Testimony, but were large and powerful associations. The churches that now compose the United Presbyterian Church, had, prior to the union, formally and judicially condemned these associations. They are the prominent and principal secret associations of the hand, and by their influence are, more than all others, corrupting the public conscience in relation to the principles which should control man as a religious and social being. They do, beyond doubt, authorize, and prescribe the use of forms of prayer, which ignore the name and meditation of the Lord Jesus Christ. They are condemned by the Fifteenth Article of our Testimony, especially if read in the light of the Argument and Illustration. There are, also, other secret societies existing in the community, so numerous and varied in their character, as to make a distinct reference to and a particular description of them impracticable; therefore.

Resolved, 1. That this Assembly regard adherence to the society of Free Masons, or to that of Odd Fellows, as inconsistent with membership in good standing, in

the United Presbyterian Church.

Resolved, 2. That all our sessions be, and hereby are, enjoined to carry out, by the faithful exercise of discipline, the principle set forth in the Fifteenth Article,

as interpreted in the foregoing resolution.

Resolved, 3. That this Assembly do most earnestly, and affectionately exhort all the members of this church to abstain from connecting themselves with any secret associations, believing that they are unnecessary, and are calculated to operate injuriously on the interests of society, and they do especially urge the ministers and elders of this church, to use their influence to keep our members from an incorporation with them.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. Bigham, Chairman.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. J. W. Witherspoon.

THURSDAY, 8.45 A. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by Dr. Blaikie. Minutes of

the last session read and approved.

The Order of the Day, namely, the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Board of Home Missions, was suspended with a view to receive the reports of other committees.

The committee on the Board of Church Extension presented a report, in relation to a claim of Messrs. Graham and Wallace, which was read

and placed on the Docket.

The committee on revision presented a report on the Minutes of the 1st Synod of the West, the Synods of Pittsburgh and of Illinois, which was read and placed on the Docket.

The committee on the paper adopted by a Financial Convention held in this city made a report, which was placed on the Docket.

The committee on Sabbath Schools presented a report, which was

read and placed on the Docket.

Resumed the order of the day, namely, the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Board of Home Missions. The report of the Committee on the Board, and that of the Board were read. The Assembly agreed to consider the report of the Board seriatim. motion, the further consideration of the report of the Board was postponed until this afternoon.

Dr. Findley offered a resolution to reconsider the vote at the last

session on the report of the Committee on Secret Societies.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. S. B. Reed.

2 o'clock, P. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by Rev. J. B. Johnston.

The committee on Bills and Overtures presented the following report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, to which has been referred a resolution asking the Assembly to overture to the Presbyteries of the church the question whether or not the words contained in the Westminster Confession of Faith, chap. xxiv., sec. 4, "The man may not marry any of his wife's kindred nearer in blood than he may of his own, nor the woman of her husband's kindred nearer in blood

than of her own," beg leave to report as follows :-

While it is matter for regret that memorials and overtures in reference to the Standards of the church have been so frequent of late, and while care should be taken lest any thing should be done that would warrant the idea that, as a church, we are disposed to depart from that venerable symbol of our faith, the Westminster Confession; yet, inasmuch as the church appears to be widely divided in opinion as to the matter which it is proposed in the resolution to overture, it appears to the committee that the question specified in the resolution, should in substance, if not in form, be overtured.

The committee recommend, therefore, for adoption the following resolution,—

namely:-

Resolved, That the following question, a definite answer to which, yea or nay, shall be reported to the next General Assembly, be and is hereby transmitted in

overture to the Presbyteries of the church, namely,-

Shall the declaration contained in the Westminster Confession of Faith, chapter 24, sect. 4, "The man may not marry any of his wife's kindred nearer in blood than he may of his own; nor the woman of her husband's kindred nearer in blood than of her own," be repealed?

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES HARPER, Chairman.

The Committee on Finance presented the following additional report, which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas the report of Rev. M. M. Gibson, pastor of the U. P. Church in San Francisco, indicates a remarkable degree of prosperity, and encourages the expectation that this enterprise is doing a good work, and having an important influence in California, be it therefore-

Resolved, 1. That the mission in San Francisco is deserving of the warmest sup-

port of the entire church.

Resolved, 2. That this Assembly appreciates the labours of Rev. M. M. Gibson,

and hereby conveys to him the most hearty sympathy.

Resolved, 3. That as there is a balance of about \$6,500 in currency still uncollected of the appropriation made by the General Assembly of 1866, it is important that this amount should be collected and remitted to San Francisco at the earliest practicable day.

Resolved, 4. That Rev. Jos. T. Cooper, D.D., be continued as agent with power to employ such aid as he may think necessary in the collection of moneys for this WM. GETTY, Chairman.

purpose.

The committee on Rail-Roads presented a report, which was adopted.

The resolution reported by the committee is as follows:—

Resolved, That the thanks of the General Assembly are hereby tendered to the different Rail Road companies that have so generously made reductions of fare, and particularly to the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy R. R. for special favours. The R. R. companies referred to, are the following, namely, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy; Pittsburgh and Connellsville; Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis; New Jersey Central: Missouri; Pacific, Leavenworth, Lawrence and Galveston; Erie and Pittsburgh, and St. Louis and Iron Mountain.

An order was granted in favour of Mr. Thos. Johnston for \$17.10, and the thanks of the Assembly returned to Mr. Johnston for his services.

A Committee was appointed to nominate a Committee to procure a reduction of rail-road fares for the benefit of the delegates to the next Assembly.

The Committee on the Board of Freedmen's Mission, presented the

following resolution, which was adopted:-

Resolved, That we place \$1000, in addition to that named in the fifth resolution, at the disposal of the Board, for the purpose of supporting a minister at Nashville.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises presented the following re-

port, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on Devotional Exercises would respectfully recommend the following:—

Resolved, 1. That Rev. R. B. Ewing be appointed the Moderator's alternate to

preach the opening sermon before the next General Assembly.

2. That the third Thursday of August, 1869, be appointed as a day of special and earnest prayer in all our congregations for light to guide us in deciding the grave questions now engaging our attention, for a spirit of faithfulness in maintaining the truth, for an increase of Christ-like love and peace in our congregations and church-courts, for an increase in the number of those devoting themselves to our Master's service in the work of the ministry, for greater prosperity in all departments of our work as a church, for an increase of vital godliness in the hearts of our ministry and laity; and in general for that precious, all-comprehensive and sadly needed gift of the God of all grace,—the very plentiful outpouring of his Spirit on our beloved Zion.

J. M. Henderson, Ch.

A request from Rev. J. B. Clark, D. D., was read and placed on the Docket.

Resumed the consideration of the report of the Board of Home Missions. The report of the Board was amended and adopted. (App., No. I.)

Resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Board of Home Missions. The report was amended and adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on the Board of Home Missions would respectfully report:—
That from an examination of the papers put into our hands, we learn that
the home mission work has made considerable progress during the past year.
The missionaries have generally been faithful, and their labours seem to have
been blessed.

The financial condition of the Board is encouraging. Last year a heavy debt was reported to the Assembly. This debt has all been paid, and there is money enough in the treasury to meet all claims against the Board up to the first of April, and leave a small balance in the treasury; but in a few weeks about \$6,000 will be due our missionaries for the fourth quarter, to meet which there is not sufficient funds in the treasurer's hands.

For the coming year the Presbyteries have placed at the disposal of the board seventy-nine missionaries, to all of whom fields of labour have been assigned.

They have also recommended the appropriation of \$31,185 for the support of missions. The Board, after considering all petitions received, and patiently hearing all claims, have made such distribution of the funds as in their judgment would best promote the interest of the church. Your committee would recommend that, unless some new light be given which the Board did not receive, or unless very strong reasons be given, no change be made in the appropriations recommended, except in the case of the congregation of Martinsville, Presbytery of Wheeling, we recommend that, instead of \$100 in case of stated supply, or \$200 in case of settlement, it be made to read \$300 in case of stated supply, or \$400 in case of settlement.

The Board recommend to the Assembly a series of resolutions for adoption. Your committee recommend, that, with the amendment above stated, all the report which precedes the resolutions be adopted, and that the resolutions be taken

up seriatim for consideration.

We also recommend that the petition from California for the organization of a new Presbytery be granted, and that Rev. W. H. Wilson be appointed to preach in the United Presbyterian Church of San Francisco, and constitute the new Presbytery, to be called the Presbytery of San Francisco, at such time as he and Brother Gibson may agree upon, and that the bounds of the Presbytery be, for the present, the state of California.

We recommend that Drs. J. T. Pressly, J. G. Brown, Rev. A. G. Wallace, and Messrs. S. Mahood, George M. Reed, John Dean and Charles Arbuthnot be

elected the Executive Committee for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted. D. W. French, Chairman.

The following resolution offered by Rev. Henry Wallace was adopted: Resolved, That the Clerks of Presbyteries be instructed to furnish the Principal Clerk, previously to meeting of the Assembly, with a list of nominations for Financial Agents and Superintendents of Missions, with their Post Office address, and that the Clerk be instructed to report this list to the General Assembly for confirmation.

Proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Committee on

Presbyterian Union. The report was read, and is follows -

The committee to which was referred the Report of the Convention that met to confer on the subject of Presbyterian union, respectfully submit the following report:

That union among the professed followers of Christ, and especially among those who are united in adherence to the great doctrines of the gospel, is desirable, all will admit. And as an evidence of the desire of the United Presbyterian Church to secure such a result, and of her readiness to co-operate in all proper efforts for its accomplishment, a committee was appointed by the last Assembly to confer with brethren of other portions of the Presbyterian family on the subject. But after a fraternal conference has taken place, it seems that at present, there are insuperable difficulties in the way of accomplishing the object. To notice none other, one great difficulty is the diversity of views which prevail among us on the subject of Psalmody. In the Testimony of the U. P. Church, it is distinctly declared, that it is the will of God, that the songs contained in the book of Psalms shall be employed in the worship of God to the end of the world. Our distinctive principle is, that we have divine appointment for the use of these sacred songs, that we are not at liberty to use the devotional compositions of uninspired men, because whatever may be said in their favour, they lack divine appointment. But our brethren tell us frankly and plainly, that while the propriety of using the songs contained in the book of Psalms is admitted, they cannot enter into a union which would deny them the liberty of using evangelical hymns, which are the composition of uninspired men. While this diversity of views continues to exist, a union which would be for edification, seems to be entirely impracticable.

Your committee would therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the fol-

lowing resolution:

Resolved, That under existing circumstances there is no reasonable prospect of accomplishing a union between the different portions of the Presbyterian family, which would be conducive to edification, and therefore it is inexpedient at the present time to continue negotiations with reference to that object.

All which is respectfully submitted.

John T. Pressly, Chm'n.

The paper containing the action of the joint-committee at their meeting in Philadelphia was also read, and is as follows:-

April 18, 1869.

A meeting was held at the Mission house, No. 907 Arch Street. Philadelphia, of the following members of the respective Committees, appointed by the General Assemblies in pursuance of a request by the Convention held in Philadelphia, Nov. 6, 1807, namely, Rev. Drs. John T. Pressly, David R. Kerr, and Wm. Davidson, from the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church; Rev. Drs. M. Zephaniah, M. Humphrey, from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, New School: Rev. Drs. George W. Musgrave and Alexander T. M'Gill and Hon. Robert M'Knight, from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, Old School. It was unanimously resolved, that union among the different denominations represented is very desirable if the way be clear. It was then resolved that the basis agreed on by the Philadelphia Convention above referred to, be taken as a guide for the deliberations of this conference. Being altered and amended in several particulars, it was unanimously adopted in the following form, namely,
ARTICLE 1. The Old and New Testament Scriptures are acknowledged to be

the inspired word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

ART. 2. The Westminster Confession of Faith, as the same has been modified by the churches here represented, in its doctrines concerning the powers of the Civil Magistrate, together with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms, shall be received and adopted as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scrip-

Art. 3. The United Church shall receive and adopt the Presbyterian form of

Church Government.

ART. 4. First, it is the will of God that the Book of Psalms should be used by the church in His worship to the end of the world. And the united body shall, at the earliest practicable day, prepare as faithful and acceptable a version of those Psalms as may be for use in the churches. Secondly. Any of the churches desiring to use the psalms exclusively in the service of song shall always have the right, unchallenged, to do so.

It was then resolved, that these articles be submitted by the committees composing this conference to their respective Assemblies for consideration; and that, if they receive the favourable action of the churches represented, the Assemblies be requested to appoint each a Committee of five to meet at Pittsburgh, Penn., on the first Wednesday of August, A.D. 1869, at 11 o'clock A.M., to take into consideration such further questions as may be necessary to be decided, in order to a formal consummation of the union of the bodies here represented.

The above is faithfully extracted from the minutes approved April 18, 1869.

ALEX. T. McGILL, Secretary.

After a lengthy discussion on various resolutions and amendments, the following preamble and resolution were adopted by the Assembly:

Whereas, In the negotiations between the United and the Old and New School Presbyterian Churches, a Christian spirit has been manifested, and also an evidently increasing regard for the distinctive principles of the United Presbyterian Church; and

Whereas, This General Assembly is not prepared to adopt the basis of union presented by the joint committee, yet in the confidence that a mutual interchange of views in a truly Christian spirit would be productive of much good, therefore,

Resolved, That, without expressing approval of all the results, and while regarding as seriously defective at least one of the conclusions, namely, that pertaining to Psalmody, reached by the joint committee, a report of whose proceedings has been submitted to us, this Assembly agree to continue their committee to confer, according to instructions given by the last Assembly, with similar committees which may be appointed by other branches of the Presbyterian family.

The following persons were appointed the committee contemplated in Resolution 2d, of the report of the Board of Home Missions, to revise and publish the constitution and regulations of the Board, namely, Revs. W. J. Reid, Dr. J. G. Brown and A. G. Wallace.

The Assembly agreed that the consideration of the report of the

committee on a General Treasurer, and the report of the committee on the paper from the Financial Convention be the order of the day for 7 o'clock this evening.

The Assembly agreed to meet at 7 o'clock this evening.

The special committee to which had been referred the 1st resolution in the report of the committee on Narrative and State of Religion, presented a report amending the report of the committee on Narrative and State of Religion. The report of the committee on Narrative and State of Religion, thus amended, was adopted, and is as follows:—

Your committee would report, that we have examined the Reports and Statistical Tables of the different Presbyteries, as carefully as time and opportunity would permit. Our object has been, not to note and report all the changes that have taken place in the church during the year, but rather those which relate to her progress.

The following contains all of this character that we have been able to gather

from the sources named:—

Ordinations, 27. Licensures, 22. Received from other churches, 3. Ministers deceased, 11. Suspended or deposed, 3. Dismissed to other churches, 12. New congregations organized, 24. Mission stations occupied, 23. Congregations received from other churches, 2. Congregations dismissed to other churches, 3. Congregations disorganized, 11.

The reports on the state of religion, are on the whole encouraging. The attendance on public ordinances is reported generally good. Prayer meetings and Sabbath schools are very generally organized throughout the Church, and a good degree of interest is manifest,—especially in the Sabbath schools.

Complaints come to us from some quarters, of a disposition on the part of some of our people to attend theatres, operas and other places of sinful amusements and entertainments. It may be well for the Assembly to issue a warning on this

subject.

Your committee would call the attention of this Assembly to the propriety of making some change in regard to the form of presbyterial reports. We believe that every thing necessary to show the real progress of the church can, as a general thing, be reported under the head of statistics. If presbyteries have any thing special on the state of religion or other matters to report, and which cannot be presented under this general head, then, and only then, let separate papers be presented. Now, we have long reports spread out over five or six pages of foolscap, all of which must be read over, in order to find out two or three facts of general interest, Besides, these reports are neither read before the Assembly nor printed in our minutes. All we need is, that our statistical reports be so arranged as to embrace all the matters of general interest, and which indicate the progress we are making.

Your committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following

resolutions:-

1. That hereafter the reports of Presbyteries be limited to those matters embraced in the blanks already prepared by the clerks of the Assembly, except when matters of special interest and importance relative to the state of religion, are to be reported.

2. That should any thing be necessary to make said reports conform to the established rules of the church, the Clerks be authorized to make the necessary

change

3. That ministers be enjoined faithfully to lay before their people the danger of conformity to the world in giving countenance and encouragement to the sinful amusements of our day.

Respectfully submitted. R. W. French, Chairman.

The Committee on the reduction of Rail-road fares reported the following, and the report was adopted.

The Committee to nominate a Committee on Reduction of Rail-road Fares to

Delegates of next General Assembly report as follows:-

R. Gracey, D.D., Chairman, Pittsburgh. W. H. Douglass, Allegheny. Prof. J. C. Hutchinson, Monmouth. David Millen, Xenia. J. M. Wallace, Chicago. Henry Harrison, New York. R. T. Elliott, Phila. James Dawson, Washington, Iowa. Respectfully submitted. T. Johnston, Chairman.

The following resolutions, offered by Revs. J. S. Buchanan and S. McArthur, were adopted:—

Whereas the sin of the desecration of the holy Sabbath is manifestly on the increase throughout our land, and whereas it is our imperative duty to act as faithful witnesses for the cause of Christ, and the institutions of Divine appointment, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That this Assembly hereby most carnestly warn our people against participating in, or giving countenance to the description of the holy Sabbath.

2. That this Assembly recommend that ministers preach frequently on the importance of the proper observance of God's holy day.

The following resolution, offered by Dr. Dales, was adopted:—

Whereas It is important that the design and workings of the several Boards of our Church should be well understood, and that they should have the benefit of the suggestions of the Church at large through its representatives in the General Assembly, for the more efficient prosecution of their work,—therefore,

Resolved, That the first and second business evenings of the assembly be spent in a conference upon the Boards and that each Board be directed to appoint one

of its members to represent it in the exercises of the meeting.

A resolution in reference to an improvement of our present version of the Psalms, was offered by Rev. Wm. Johnston, and placed on the Docket.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. M. M. Brown.

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Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes

of the last session read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Getty, the Assembly agreed that an order should be drawn on the Treasurer of the General Assembly in favour of the members of the committee appointed to confer with other committees on Presbyterian union, and that hereafter the expenses of all committees be paid by the Assembly.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely; the report of the Committee on the appointment of a General Treasurer, and the report of the select committee on the paper from the Financial Convention. Both reports were read, when, on motion of Rev. G. Small, the papers relating to this subject were recommitted to the committee appointed by the Assembly of 1867 to report thereon,—that they publish their report, and that the Presbyteries be directed to report their opinions thereon to the next Assembly.

A motion having been made by Rev. W. M. Gibson, that the foregoing committee be instructed to recommend Ohio Central College to the support of the church, the motion was referred to that committee.

Took up the report of the Committee on the Board of Church Extension in relation to the memorial of Messrs. Graham and Wallace. The report was amended and adopted, and is as follows:—

The paper referred to us sets forth that the memorialists, Messrs. Wallace and Graham, in order to secure the erection of a house of worship for the Third Church, Chicago, borrowed money on their own note, relying for repayment upon the collection of the amount of money granted to said Church by the Board of Church Extension; and that the sum obtained from the above grant and the sale of the property of said Church still leaves a balance of the note unpaid for which they have no means of securing themselves.

The accompanying vouchers show, that the memorial is a correct statement of

the facts in the case; we therefore recommend the following action:-

Whereas The memorialists, in thus borrowing money for the aid of the Third Church, Chicago, manifested a warm attachment to the interests of the United Presbyterian Church, and whereas their generosity should not involve them in loss; therefore.-

Resolved, That the Board of Church Extension be and hereby are directed to

pay the balance of the above note of Wallace and Graham.

The following resolutions of thanks were adopted by the Assembly:

Resolved, 1. That the thanks of this Assembly are hereby tendered to the citizens of Monmouth and vicinity for their kindness and hospitality during its sessions.

2. That the thanks of this Assembly are hereby tendered to Chancey Harding, Esq., for the use of Harding Hall for our opening exercises.

3. That the thanks of this Assembly are hereby tendered to the trustees of the Second Church, Monmouth, for the use of this edifice during our sessions and

the abundant supply of stationery to the Assembly and its committees.

4. That the Assembly hereby expresses its grateful sense of the courtesy of the faculty of Monmouth College, in affording, within the College building, accommodations to the various committees of the Assembly for holding their meetings, and to the societies for the use of their Halls.

5. That the thanks of this Assembly be tendered to the officers of the Reading Room in this city for the invitation to the members of Assembly to use their room.

6. That the thanks of the Assembly are hereby tendered to the editors and reporters of the Atlas, for their daily edition containing the proceedings of the

Assembly, and to the Associated Press for its daily dispatches.
7. That we express our grateful appreciation of the gentlemanly courtesy of superintendents Harris and Hitchcock, and ticket agent Arms, at Monmouth, for

their untiring efforts to afford travelling facilities to the delegates.

Resolved, That the Principal Clerk of Assembly be, and hereby is, directed to draw an order on the Treasurer of Assembly's Fund for the sum fifteen dollars in favour of the Janitor of Monmouth college.

Took up the Report of the Committee on the Board of Church Ex-

The Report was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on the Board of Church Extension report: That although the growth of our church depends, in a large degree, upon the efficiency of this Board. and its being liberally supplied with the funds necessary to enable it to meet the applications which are made to it; and notwithstanding the fact that the last Assembly appropriated to it the very moderate sum of \$10,000, only \$1724.69 was paid into its treasury during the entire year. The majority of applicants received nothing.

When the Board could do nothing better, it appropriated the contributions of fourteen Presbyteries (in all) to various needy congregations, but received no re-

port of the monies collected. This is to be regretted.

We propose for adoption the following resolutions:-

Resolved, 1. That the sum of at least ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars is required to successfully carry on the operations of the Board during the present year, and that we appropriate that sum to the Board.

Resolved, 2. That when the Board finds it necessary to authorize applicants to receive the collection of Presbyteries, a prompt and accurate report of the amount

of money received shall be required by the Board.

Resolved, 3. That the Assembly authorize and instruct Rev. W. C. Williamson, missionary now labouring in Kansas City, to canvass the church for funds, not to exceed \$5000, to purchase a lot, and erect thereon a suitable church building.

Resolved, 4. That the property so acquired shall be secured to the Trustees of the

General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, that in case the mission

should ever be abandoned, the property may return to the church.

Resolved, 5. That the plan for the reorganization of the Board, referred to this Assembly, be amended by the addition of the following rule, namely, "One half of every appropriation made shall be in the form of a loan without interest, payable in five years from the time when it is received." That thus amended it be republished and overtured to the Presbyteries to report to the next Assembly.

Resolved, 6. That Rev. J. T. Pressly, D.D., and Thomas E. Wakeham be re-elected

members of the Board, and that Rev. J. S. Sands be elected to the place of Rev. S. B.

Reed, who declines re-election.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. D. Gibson, Chairman.

Took up the Report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools. The Report was adopted, and is as follows:-

Your Committee would respectfully report, that having examined the several reports from presbyteries on the subject of Sabbath Schools, we are convinced that no department of the church's work appears to be carried on with so much zeal and vigorous effort. And it cannot be denied, that the condition of the Sabbath school is a good criterion by which to judge of the condition of the congregation. And it is gratifying to find that the church is beginning to recognize the importance of this work.

The hope of the church is in the rising generation, and the Sabbath school is the only means by which the children of the world can be successfully brought

under her influence.

A mission Sabbath school, almost in every instance, results in the organization of a congregation. It is also ascertained that about the one-third of the accessions to the church is from the Sabbath school. And with regard to missionary contributions, you only have to glance at the monthly statements in the Youth's Evangelist: hence we have in the Sabbath school a power, which, if judiciously

directed, must tell upon the whole church for good. As far as can be ascertained from the statistical tables, considerable progress has been made during the last year. Reports show an increase, in officers and teachers, of eight hundred and thirty-four; in scholars ten hundred and sixtynine; and the contributions from this source amount to the large sum of nineteen thousand, one hundred and thirty-three dollars. In view of these facts, your committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following:

1. That the Assembly express its hearty approval of the great work of Sabbath

school instruction carried on by the congregations under its care.

2. That we acknowledge the special favour of God in the signal blessing with which he has crowned the labours of officers and teachers during the last year.

3. That we urge upon our people the importance of encouraging and sustain-

ing the officers and teachers engaged in this noble work.

4. That it is the duty of the Session, to whom is intrusted the oversight of the congregation, to give special attention to the Sabbath school, and, in their official capacity, exercise a supervision over it, which will tend to its purity and efficiency.

5. That as solemn responsibilities are connected with the religious education of the young, we earnestly recommend pastors, superintendents and teachers to exercise great care in the selection of libraries and Sabbath school papers.

6. That the Sabbath school children throughout the church be requested to contribute to the support of one or more new missionaries in the foreign field.

7. That the missionaries to whom these contributions are appropriated be requested to report monthly through the Sabbath school papers of the church for By order of the committee. the encouragement of the children. James Crowe, Chairman.

Took up the Report of the Committee on the publication of the Minutes. The report was adopted and is as follows:-

Your Committee would recommend,

1. That hereafter the publication of the Minutes be committed to the Board of Publication, and that under the superintendence of the Clerks of the Assembly they be issued in the name of the Board, in the same way as are other publications.

2. That a copy be furnished, annually, and gratuitously, to each foreign missionary, to the Corresponding Secretaries of the several Boards of the church, and to the library of each Theological Seminary and College.

3. That care be taken, by pastors and others engaged in the work of the ministry, to secure for the Minutes a more general circulation throughout the church than in years past.

4. That an edition of fifteen hundred copies be published this year.

5. That one hundred dollars be paid the Clerks for superintending the publication of the Minutes.

6. In order to meet the expenses involved, all the congregations of the church be called upon to contribute to the Assembly's Fund. R. W. FRENCH, Chairman. Respectfully submitted.

Took up the Report of the Committee on the support of the indigent VOL. XLVI.—VIII.—11

widows of ministers. 'This report, with the report of the Committee of last year was ordered to be printed, and was referred to the Presbyteries to report their opinions thereon to the next Assembly. The two reports are as follows:-

I. The support of ministers and widows of ministers is a duty so plain as to

need but little argument to enforce it.

Among the various occupations and professions in life, the minister, as a general thing, receives the smallest compensation. He has no opportunity to lay by even a small amount for a time of need, or for his support in old age. When sickness or the infirmities of old age compel the man of God to relinquish his labours, it is too often the case that himself and family are left in circumstances of great hardship. At his death, there is nothing for the bereaved wife but dependence upon the charity of the benevolent.

The whole tendency of the Christian religion is "to bear one another's burdens,"-to make provision for the household of faith,-to see that no brother or sister is in want. The blessing of the meek and lowly Jesus must attend every effort to follow his example, and it may be feared that a great sin will lie at the

door of the church, if this Christian duty be neglected.

To devise the proper plan, is a rather difficult task. The following is recom-

1. A permanent fund of not less than \$100,000 should be raised.

2. This fund should be invested safely at the highest rate of interest obtainable.

3. The interest only to be applied to the relief of ministers, or their families,

in indigent circumstances.

4. This fund to be raised by each congregation contributing five per cent. on the amount of salary paid to the pastor. This would amount, annually, to the sum of \$15,000. It is proposed to continue the effort during a period of six years, when the annual contributions and the interest thereon would amount to \$100,-000,-the required sum.

The amount paid for salaries, per General Assembly's Minutes of 1868, was

Five per cent. on this amount would exceed \$15,000 per annum.

The practical operation of this plan would be as follows:-

Congregations paying a salary of \$800 to the pastor, would agree to raise \$40 additional, making \$840. In cases where \$1000 were paid as salary, \$1050 would have to be raised. To secure the success of this or any other plan will require the hearty and persevering effort of the ministers of the church. They, of all others, are the most concerned. The membership will promptly respond to any reasonable demand presented by the pastors.

In the event of such a fund being raised, it is believed that the interest accruing, annually, would be sufficient to provide for the relief of disabled or superannuated ministers and their families; and might be designated, The Ministers'

Fund of the General Assembly.

The details of management need not be referred to at the present time. Care would have to be exercised both in the investments and disbursements. No application for relief should be granted until after a full investigation of the case by the Board of Management.

II. On the above report of the committee of the last Assembly, the following

action is recommended:-

Resolved, 1. That the sum of \$100,000 be raised by the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church for the support of aged ministers and indigent widows of ministers, to be known as the "Ministers' Fund of the General As-

- sembly."
  2. That the plan of raising this fund shall be an annual contribution during a period of six years of the sum of not less than \$15,000,—each congregation to contribute five per cent on the amount of salary paid to the pastor of said congregation, and we hereby pledge ourselves to raise our proportion of this amount in our respective churches, and use our influence to promote this object in the Presbyteries to which we belong.
- 3. That the moneys so contributed shall be paid to the treasurer of the General Assembly, and by him invested safely at the highest rate of interest obtainable.
- 4. That the interest on the fund thus raised shall be applied to the relief of ministers and widows of ministers in indigent circumstances.

5. That this fund shall be under the management of a special Board of six

persons, three ministers and three elders, two of which shall be elected for one year, two for two years, and two for three years: two members to be elected annually after the first year.

6. That the membership of the church are hereby earnestly requested to remember the "Ministers' Fund" in making their bequests for benevolent pur-WM. GETTY, Chairman.

The Committee on Revision made a report, which was adopted and is as follows:-

The committee on revision would respectfully report,-

That the records of only three Synods have been put into their hands; namely: those of the Synod of Pittsburgh, 1st Synod of the West, and Synod of Illinois.

The other Synods, though directed, on account of their failure last year, to present their records to this Assembly, have still failed to do so.

Those furnished us we have examined, and find them kept in a neat and or-

derly manner. We therefore recommend the following resolutions:—
1. That the records of the Synod of Pittsburgh, 1st Synod of the West, and

Synod of Illinois, be approved.

2. That the continued failure of the clerks of the Synods of New York, Ohio, Iowa and Second Synod of the West, to present their records, be disapproved, and they be required to forward them to the next Assembly, J. M. Wallace, Chairman.

The Assembly reconsidered their former vote appointing the place of meeting of the next Assembly. The First Church of Pittsburgh was selected.

Took up the resolutions of Rev. Wm. Johnston and W. M. Gibson.

They were adopted, and are as follows:-

Resolved, That Revs. Drs. Jas. Patterson and D. R. Kerr, and Rev. S. Collins, be appointed a committee to complete the work of preparing an amended version of the Psalms, as committed to the Board of Publication by the last Assembly, and report their amendments to the next Assembly.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the General Assembly be authorized to pay to the Board of Publication an amount sufficient to cover the expense of publishing and mailing the new versions of the Psalms now in overture to the Presbyteries.

The Second Clerk read a condensed statement of the statistics of

the church, which was approved by the Assembly.

On motion, Dr. John G. Brown and Rev. T. H. Hanna were appointed a committee on credentials to prepare the roll for the next General Assembly.

The following resolution was offered by Revs. James Harper, D. D.,

and George K. Ormond:-

Resolved, That the thanks of this Assembly be and hereby are tendered to the Moderator and Clerks of this Assembly for the urbanity and efficiency with which they have discharged the duties of their office.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

The following resolution offered by Rev. J. T. M'Clure was adopted: Resolved, That this General Assembly be now dissolved, and that another General Assembly, similarly constituted, be called to meet on the 4th Wednesday of May, 1870, in the First United Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh, at 7.30, P. M.

The Moderator then declared the Assembly dissolved according to the foregoing resolution, and led the Assembly in prayer. exxxiii. was sung by the Assembly, and the apostolic benediction pro-

nounced by the Moderator.

R. A. Browne, Moderator. JOSEPH T. COOPER, Principal Clerk.

# APPENDIX.

### REPORTS OF THE BOARDS.

### I. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Monmouth, Ills., May 26, 1869:

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS held its tenth annual meeting at Monmouth, Ills., beginning May 17th, 1869. Forty-eight delegates were present, all the Presbyteries being represented excepting 1st Ohio, Oregon, St. Lawrence, Vermont, Egypt and Sealkote. After a pleasant and harmonious meeting, it was agreed to present the following report, which, we trust, will meet with your approval.

### PART I. THE PRESENT YEAR.

From the report of the Executive Committee to the Board, we gather some facts with reference to the work of the present year, which may be of interest to the

Assembly.

1. The Financial Condition of the Board. The indebtedness of the past year has been liquidated. All claims against the Board for the first, second and third quarters of the present year, so far as they have been granted, have been paid. There is money enough in the treasury to meet all our obligations up to April 1st, and to leave a small balance in hand. But in a few weeks the fourth quarter will be due, and about \$6000 will be needed to meet its appropriations. From this statement it will be seen that the financial condition of the Board is encouraging. Though we will enter upon the new year somewhat in debt, our indebtedness will not be as great as it was at the beginning of the present year.

During the ten months ending April 30th, our Treasurer has received \$35,270.72,

and disbursed \$32,897.43.

2. The Progress of the Work. The Home Mission work seems to be making commendable progress. As a general thing, the missionaries have been faithful in their labors in the fields to which they were appointed, and the mission stations have enjoyed a reasonable degree of prosperity. Some discouraging reports have been received; some congregations have been weakened, and a few seriously crippled by emigration to the West; in other places revivals have gladdened the hearts of the people of God; but in the great majority of instances, the good work has been making slow and steady progress.

Nearly all the appropriations granted by the last Assembly, as far as they are due, have been paid. A few congregations failed to comply with the conditions imposed by the Assembly, and the appropriations to these congregations have been withheld. In three instances congregations were excused from fulfilling the conditions on which aid had been granted; and in two instances the conditions were

3. IMPORTANT MISSIONS. There are a few mission stations which demand special mention.

Chicago.—But little has been done in Chicago during the past year. The congregation there has not asked for any aid. They have been paid for what preach-

ing they have been able to secure without the assistance of the Board.

Salem, Oregon.—Rev. T. J. Wilson, appointed by the last Assembly as a missionary to Salem, Oregon, entered upon his labors in that field about April 1st. Rev. S. G. Irvine, S. M. of the Presbytery of Oregon, writes as follows under date of April 14th: "The Presbytery of Oregon, at its meeting April 8th, granted an organization at Salem, in answer to a petition containing twenty-eight names. Brother Wilson enters upon his labors at Salem with the warmest affections of his people, and the sympathies of the Presbytery."

San Francisco. - The mission in San Francisco is of a most encouraging character. No formal reports have been received from the missionary there, but his letters show that the good work is prospering under his hand. In a letter dated April 19th, brother Gibson writes: "I am directed by our Board of Trustees to report this congregation to the Board of Home Missions as self-sustaining from July 1st, 1869. Mr. Cooper, our Treasurer, will be at the meeting of the Assembly, and will be able to express our sense of gratitude to the church for her fostering care over this congregation. And over all we recognize the goodness of our Divine Head and Lord.'

Port Huron, Mich.—The sum of \$600 was appropriated by the last Assembly to Port Huron, on condition that a promising organization was effected in six months. This condition was complied with, and so much of the appropriation has been paid as has become due. Our congregation there now numbers twenty-nine

members.

Kansas City, Mo.—The last Assembly directed the Presbyteries of Kansas and Western Missouri to report to the Executive Committee the prospects for a mission station in Kansas City, Mo. They did so. and their report was so favorable, that the Executive Committee felt it their duty to occupy that field. Accordingly Rev. W. C. Williamson, who was appointed missionary to that place, entered upon his labors there about the first of December last, and an appropriation was made for his support at the rate of \$800 per annum. A congregation has been organized

there which now numbers twenty-two members.

Salinas City, Cal.-Some time during the fall Rev. M. M. Gibson, of San Francisco, reported a promising mission field in Salinas City. Some members of our church and their neighbors in that city and vicinity subscribed about \$1000 in gold for the support of a missionary the first year, and requested the Executive Committee to send them a minister. Rev. W. H. Wilson, of Washington, Iowa, was appointed to that field. He accepted the appointment, and expected to start for California by the 15th inst. As he goes by the overland route, he will probably reach Salinas City about June 1st. We hope and believe that this, our second effort in the State of California, will be as successful as the first.

4. Self-Sustaining Congregations. The following congregations have reported themselves as self-sustaining after the present year: San Francisco; Vienna, Indiana Presbytery; First Brooklyn, 2d New York Presbytery; Bellefontaine, Sidney Pres-

bytery; Clarence, Le Claire Presbytery.

### PART II. THE COMING YEAR.

The Presbyteries have placed seventy-nine missionaries at the disposal of the Board for the coming year, and have asked for the services of mnety-one. The amount of money desired was about \$40,000; but the Board felt constrained to cut down the appropriations as much as possible, without injury to the work. After carefully weighing the necessities of the several mission stations, the Board granted aid to the amount of \$31,185, of which \$7,975 is conditional. The names of the mission stations and the amount of aid granted to each, the names of the missionaries and the fields to which they have been assigned, are herewith reported. It is hoped that our distribution of the money and the missionaries will meet with your approval.

1. Distribution of Funds.

Albany Presbytery.—W. Galway, \$200, c. s. s.,\* or 250 c. s.†

Allegheny.—5th Church, 200; Etna, 300.

Big Spring.—Duncannon and Gettysburgh, 150; Lower Chanceford, 100, c. s. Bloomington.-New Brenton, 150; White Oak Grove, 150; Chenoa, 150; Loda, 100; Wenona, 100; Sugar Branch, 150; Rantoul, referred to Ex. Com.

Boston. -1st Church, 100; 2d Church, 200; Sutton, 200; Thompsonville, 300; Law-

rence, 200.

Caledonia. - Geneva, 50; Franklinville, 100, c. s. s., or 200, c. s.: Cuylerville, 100. Cedar Rapids - Florence, 200, c. s. s., and cong. raise 500; Pratt Creek, 200; Marshalltown and con., 300, c. s. s., and cong. raise 600; Vinton, (Pres. ask it,) 200, c. s. s.; Fairfax, 200, c. s. s.

Chicago.-Ross Grove. 100; Chicago, 1000.

Cleveland.—Leetonia, 150, c. s. s; Salem, 150, c. s. s. Conemaugh.—Centre, 200; Greenville and con., 200, on condition Rev. Raitt remains; Johnstown, referred to Ex. Com.

Delaware.—Lansingville and con., 50: Davenport, 100.

Des Moines.—Newton, 200; Des Moines, 250; Promise City and Corydon, 200; Chariton, 300, con. cong. raise 400; Albia, 100; Monroe, 100; St. Charles and Mt. Pelier, 100, c. s. s.; Lacona, 150, c.s.s.; Indianola, 100; Mt. Ayr, 200. Detroit.-Port Huron, 800, c. s. s., or 800, c. s.; Emmett, Clyde and Brockway,

200: Paris, Austin and Sheridan, 200; Marlatt, Goodland and Redhouse. 200: Davisville and Farmer, 200; Fremont, 60.

Indiana.—Indianapolis, 500; Madison, 150.

Kansas.—Lawrence, 400; Olathe, 300; Ottawa, 300; Manhattan and Cedar, 300; Chetopa, 300; Emporia and Americus, 300; Ceuter, 100; Richland, 75.

Keokuk.—Liberty, 50; Mt. Sterling, 50; Mt. Pleasant, 100; Middletown, 50; Winfield, 200; Sandusky, 100; North Euglish, 50; Johnston's School House, 50; Keosaugua, 75.

Lake.—Franklin, 400; Lottsville and con., 300, c. s. s.; Utica, 100, c. s.

Le Claire. - Putnam, 100; Cascade and Pressly, 100. Mansfield.-West Haysville. 150, c. s. s., 1 time.

Michigan.—Orangeville, 100; Caledonia, 100; general missionary referred to Ex.

Com.

Minnesota. - Glendale and Eden Prairie, 150; Pepin, 300; Caledonia, 200, c. s. s. Monmouth.—Fountain Green and con., 150; Third Church, 200; 1st Δfrican, 150; Elvaston, 75; Basco, 75; Hamilton, 100.

Monongahela.—Eighth Church, Pittsburgh, 800, con. cong. proceed in building

a church; Temperanceville, 150, c. s.; Mansfield, 150, c. s.

Muskingum.—New Plymouth, 100. Nebraska.—Clarinda, 350; Fremont and North Bend, 350; Omaha, 400; Rock Bluff, 250, c. s. s., and cong. raise 450; Delaware and Nebraska City, 300; Pawnee

City, 350, c. s. s.

1st New York.—Hoboken, for Hudson City, 275.

2d New York.—Jersey City, 200; Harlem, 200.

1st Ohio.—Richmond, 200. Oregon.—Salem, 500 in gold.

Philadelphia.-North Mission, 300; 9th Church, 200; 7th Church, 250; 10th Church, 400.

Princeton.—West Union and con., 225, c. s.; Boonsville and con., 100, c. s. s. & time; Summerville and Eden, 100.

Rock Island.—Colona, 500, c. s.: Windsor, 300, c. s. s.

Stdney.—California and Spring Lake, 250, c. s. s. Stamford.—Walton, 150, c. s. s., or 200, c. s.; Telfer, 100. Steubenville.—Salineville, 100. St. Louis.—Centralia, 450; Xenia, 100; Elkhorn, 75.

Tennessee.—Lebanon, 200; Palmetto, 400; Pistol Creek and Big Spring, 400; Smeedsville, 300, first six months, c. s. s., second six months ref. to Ex. Com.

Wabash.—Pittsburgh, 200, c. s. s.

W. Missouri.-Warrensburg, 300; Fairview, 200: Thompsonville, 200; Holden and Kingsville referred to Ex. Com.; Greenwood, 100; Grand River, 100; Bethel, 125; Kansas City, 800.

Wheeling.—Martinsville, 300, c. s. s., 400, c. s. White River.—Whitehall and Vandalia, 250, c. s. s.; Portland, 100.

Wisconsin.-Oshkosh, 200; Ashupin and Rubicon, 100; Buffalo, 150; Waupacca and Royalton, 100; Caledonia and De Kora referred to Ex. Com.

Executive Committee, 2500.

D. Strang, for labor in Tennessee in 1866-7, 275.

### Distribution of Missionaries—Whole Year.

A. F. Ashton, Vinton, Cedar Rapids; T. S. Bracken, Port Huron, Detroit; Thos. Brown, Centralia, St. Louis; M. M. Brown, Windsor, Rock Island; J. C. Bryson, Fairview, Western Mo.; J. W. Buchanan, Michigan; R. G. Campbell, California and connec. Sidney; J. A. Collins, Emporia and con., Kansas; E. C. Cooper, Kansas; Archibald Crawford, Palmetto, Tennessee; W. P. Currie, Bethel and con., Western Mo.; J. H. Elliott, Nebraska; Wm. Galbraith, Cedar and Unity, Des Moines; J. D. Glenn, Loda, Bloomington; Jno. M. Gordon, Fairfax, Cedar Rap-Moines; J. D. Glenn, Loda, Bloomington; Jno. M. Gordon, Fairfax, Cedar Rapids; A. J. Graham, St. Charles and con., Des Moines; J. F. Graham, Newton, Des Moines; S. T. Herron, Mt. Pleasant and con., Keokuk; S. C. Marshall, Des Moines; Wm. Melvin, Caledonia, Minnesota; A. S. Montgomery, West Union and con., Princeton; Wm. Morrow, Chenoa, Bloomington; Samuel M'Bride, Nebraska; R. J. M'Gready, Nebraska City, Nebraska; N. M'Dowell, Fremont, Detroit; Joseph M'Kee. Marshalltown, Cedar Rapids; D. M'Lane, Indianapolis, Indiana; James M'Neal, Pistol Creek and con., Tennessee; W.T. Pawson, Marlatt and con., Detroit; James Rogers, Vandalia and con., White River; S. F. Thompson, Tennessee; Daniel Todd, Highland and con., Le Claire; J. T. Torrence, Florence, Cedar Rapids; T. E. Turner, Pittsburgh, Wabash; S. H. Weed, Colona, Rock Island; W. C. Williamson, Kanasa City, Western Mo. Williamson, Kansas City, Western Mo.

3. Fractional Distribution of Missionaries.

J. H. Adair, Kansas, 1st quarter; St. Louis, 2d qr.; Kansas, 3d qr.; Kansas, 4th qr. R. R. Atchison, Albany, 1st qr.; Delaware, 2d qr.; 1st New York, 3d qr.; Caledonia, 4th gr.

J. P. Black, Sidney, 1st qr.; Conemaugh, 2d qr., Lake, 3d qr.; Frankfort, 4th qr. J.R. Bonner, Wheeling, 1st qr.; Indiana, 2d qr.; Conemaugh, 3d qr; Princeton, 4th q.

Jos. Boyd, Caledonia, 1st and 2d qrs.; Wheeling, 3d and 4th qrs.

J. D. Brownlee, Chartiers, 1st qr.; Mansfield, 2d qr.; Steubenville, 3d qr.; Xenia, 4th gr.

E.A. Brownlee, Big Spring, 1st qr.; Allegheny, 2d qr.; Mercer. 3d qr.; Butler, 4th qr.

J. Bryan, Chicago, 1st qr.; Wisconsin, 2d qr.; Stamford, 3d qr.; Lake, 4th qr. W. Carlisle, 1st New York, 1st qr.; Mercer, 2d qr.; Sidney, 3d qr.; Chillicothe, 4th qr.

L.J. Crawford, Frankfort, 1st qr.; Sidney, 2d qr.; Lake, 3d qr.; Muskingum, 4th qr. W. Donaldson, Lake, 1st qr.; Butler, 2d qr; Frankfort, 3d qr.; Stenbenville, 4th qr. T. P. Dysart, Mansfield, 1st qr.: Frankfort, 2d qr; Butler, 3d qr.; Lake, 4th qr.

W. D. Ewing, Butler, 1st qr.; 1st New York, 2d qr.; Big Spring, 3d qr.; Chicago, 4th qr.

P. G. Free, Alleghenv, 1st qr.; May and June, Big Spring.

H. Forsythe, Des Moines, 1st qr.; Keokuk, 2d qr.; Muskingum, 3d qr.; Mansfield, 4th qr.

Andrew Henry, Mansfield, 1st gr.; Westmoreland, 4th gr.

J. G. Madge, Wisconsin, 1st qr.; Chicago, 2d qr.; Bloomington, 3d qr.; Mansfield, 4th qr.

J. A. Morrow, Mercer, 1st gr.; Michigan, 2d gr.; Mansfield, 3d gr.; Steubenville, 4th qr.

F. M'Burney. Lake, 1st qr.; Mansfield, 2d qr.; Keokuk, 3d qr; Big Spring 4th qr. H.R.M'Clelland, Xenia.1st gr.; Chartiers, 2d gr.; 1st Ohio. 3d gr.; Wisconsin, 4th gr. J.M 'Cutcheon, Stamford, 1st and 2d qrs.; Big Spring, 3d qr.; Westmoreland, 4th qr.

H. A. M. Donald, 1st Ohio, 1st gr.; Monmouth, 2d gr.; Princeton, 3d gr.; Albany, 4th qr.

Donald M'Lachlan, 1st New York, 4th qr.

R.T.M Crea, Conemaugh, 1st qr.; Lake, 2d qr.; Chicago, 3d qr.; Bloomington, 4th qr.

J. A. Nelson, Michigan, 1st qr.; 1st Ohio, 4th qr.
D. Nicoll, Caledonia, 1st qr.; Big Spring, 2d qr.; Westmoreland, 3d qr.; Mercer, 4th gr.

Thomas H. Pollock, Big Spring, 1st qr.; Butler, 2d and 3d qrs.; Lake, 4th qr. T. P. Patterson, Keokuk, 1st qr.; Bloomington, 2d qr.; Mansfield, 3d qr.; Char-

tiers, 4th qr.

J. L. Robertson, Lake, 1st qr.; Albany, 2d qr.; 1st New York, 3d and 4th qrs.

Caladania Adar: Albany, 3d qr.; Delaware, 4th qr. R. Rogers, Monongahela, 1st qr.; Caledonia, 2d qr.; Albany, 3d qr.; Delaware, 4th qr.

T. A. Scott, Kansas, 9 months; Stamford, 4th qr.

J. P. Sharp, July and August, Caledonia; Kansas, 4th gr.

J. C. Skinner, Princeton, 2d qr.; St. Louis, 3d qr.; Bloomington, 4th qr. J. D. Smith, July and August, Chicago; 1st New York, 4th qr.

C. B. Smith, 1st New York, 2d qr.; Caledonia, 3d qr.; Sidney, 4th qr. J. C. Steele, Steubenville, 1st and 2d qrs.

R. B. Stewart. Bloomington, 6 months; Chartiers, 3d qr.; Caledonia, 4th qr. John Taylor, Indiana, 1st qr.; Chicago, 2d qr.; Bloomington, 3d qr.; Keokuk, 4th qr.

### 4. Missionaries not Distributed.

Joseph Barclay, ref. to his own Pres. H. W. Boyd, ref. to Ex. Com. Shankland, to his own Presbytery. D. Steele, to his own Presbytery. R. G. Thompson, to his own Presbytery.

5. Special Missions.

Chicago.—After all the information the Board can obtain, it appears that while our cause in Chicago has met with many discouragements, yet the prospects at present are such as to encourage our continued effort to build up our cause in that city. The Board would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That the Assembly appoint Rev. R. A. McAyeal of Oskaloosa, Iowa, as a missionary to the city of Chicago, and appropriate \$1000 towards his

support from the Home Mission Fund.

Resolved, 2. That the Assembly recommend the 1st Church, Chicago, to the benevolence of the U. P. Church, to the amount of \$10,000, and that John M. Wallace of Chicago be the ageut of Assembly to collect that amount at the earliest practicable date.

Resolved, 3. That with the amount thus secured, together with such amount as the congregation of Chicago can raise, they proceed to erect a church building.

Resolved, 4. That the Presbytery of Chicago see that the church property thus obtained be legally secured to the Trustees of the General Assembly of the U. P. Church of North America, in accordance with the expressed willingness of the congregation of Chicago.

Indianapolis.- In view of the present condition of our cause in the city of

Indianapolis, the Board would recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$500 be placed at the disposal of the Presbytery of Indiana, subject to the following condition (to which it is understood the congregation are willing to agree:) that the Presbytery, before applying the said sum to the object intended, shall obtain legal security that, in case of the failure of the enterprise, the property of the congregation of Indianapolis shall be turned over to the Trustees of the General Assembly in trust for the Board of Home Missions.

### PART III. MISCELLANEOUS RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Board would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That an Assistant Secretary be appointed each year, whose duty it shall be to . keep the minutes of the Board, and to assist the Corresponding Secretary during the meeting of the Board.

2. That a committee be appointed to revise and publish the Constitution and

Regulations of the Board.

3. That Article III. of the Constitution be changed so as to read: "The Board shall meet annually seven working days previous to the meeting of the Assembly," etc.
4. That \$2500 be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee, to be used

by them in meeting any emergencies which may arise during the year-

5. That the Executive Committee be directed to publish every Spring, for the use of the members of the Board, a statistical report, which shall contain the names of the stations, the number of members in each, the average attendance, the contributions to the Boards of the church, and such other items as may assist the Board in making their appropriations for the coming year.

6. That inasmuch as \$300 were appropriated to the congregation of Pistol Creek and connections, Tennessee Presbytery, for the year ending June 30th, 1867, upon condition that they pay \$300; and inasmuch as the congregation, although they did not fulfil the conditions in that year, have been endeavoring to do so since, we, therefore authorize the Executive Committee to pay \$275 to Rev. D. Strang, the missionary who labored there in that year.

7. That in cases where an appropriation has been made on condition the congregation raise a fixed sum, the Presbytery be required to take order that the sum be pledged by the people before the missionary enter upon the field for the year.

WM. M. RICHIE, Asst. Sec. WM. J. REID, Cor. Sec.

J. B. Johnston, Chairman.

### II. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To the General Assembly, to meet in Monmouth, Ills., May 26th, the Board of Foreign Missions report:

In closing the tenth year of the labors of our United Presbyterian Church in the work of Foreign Missions, this Board feels there is occasion for the General Assembly and for our whole church to be profoundly thankful for all that God has enabled us to undertake and to accomplish in that period of time.

### CONTRASTS.

Ten years ago we had three missions—now there are five. had seven ordained ministers and two female assistants-now we have eighteen ordained ministers, one physician, one printer and printing press, one superintendent of Industrial School, with facilities for efficiently carrying it on, and five unmarried female missionaries. Then there were no organized churches-now there are twelve more or less completely organized, with the ordinances and sacraments regularly dispensed in them. there were scarcely any from the ranks of heathenism that were reported as professing Christ-now there are several hundred in the full membership of the mission churches, and giving evidence that they are of such

as will be saved. Then there were only a few mission schools, with scarcely a hundred pupils in them—now there are nearly forty schools, for both boys and girls, and over a thousand persons in them receiving direct daily instruction in the knowledge of the way of life. Then the missionary spirit in our church at home was low and the offerings for this great cause were comparatively small, the whole amount reported for 1859 reaching only \$8,574—but now the spirit of missions is more widely and deeply felt, and the contributions reported at the last Assembly amounted to \$76,257,73. Truly in all this there is occasion for us to thank God and take courage.

THE BOARD.

Mr. Samuel C. Huey, who had been a member of the Board from the beginning, having removed to a distance, resigned during the course of the year, and Rev. J. M. Hutchison was appointed to fill his place.

### THE FUNDS.

On the faith of the sum appropriated by the last Assembly being promptly raised, the Board directed the different missions to go forward on the basis of their several estimates. But there has been a disastrous failure in the funds being received for this in good season and in sufficient amounts. The whole sum contributed from all sources during the year was \$50,624.62. This amount with \$8,204.24, which was in hand at the opening of the year, made in all \$58,828.86, and the large proportion of this did not come

to hand until near the close of the year.

In this state of things the year has been marked with painful experiences and events in our missions. In one, our brethren have had to pay fifteen per cent. interest on money which they were forced to borrow in order to procure daily bread. In another, they had to submit to the mortification of being told by their bankers, that their account was overdrawn, and that payment must be made or supplies would be stopped. And in another, our devoted laborer was for months without a dollar in his hand from our Treasury for himself and his dependent family. As a consequence of this state of things, most of our missions have been reduced to trying straits and the Board have been often in deep perplexity. Missionaries have said Schools were threatened they would be forced to return to their homes. with being abandoned. In some instances converts from heathenism that had to know the facts were amazed, and other churches have wondered that a church like ours could allow its Treasury to be in such a state when God has so signally smiled on our missionary work. Will not this Assembly and the churches take steps by which the necessary funds shall be statedly in hand to meet the solemn engagements of the church and the pressing calls of those whom we have sent as our laborers for Christ far bence among the heathen?

### MISSIONARIES.

This year has been a mingled one in our history in regard to our missionaries.

Early after the last Assembly, and believing there would be adequate funds in the Treasury, the Board authorized Rev. Samuel C. Ewing and family to sail, as they did, for Egypt, on Thursday, 16th of July, and on arriving out he entered at once again upon his work. Rev. Andrew Watson, also, having quite recovered from the long affliction of his eyes, took his departure with his wife on Thursday, Nov. 12th, and has renewed his labors in the same field. In July Dr. Lansing was forced, from the enfeebled state of his health and that of his wife, to seek temporary rest, and having spent several months with great benefit to them both in England and Scotland, and done much in each country to promote the inte-

rests of the mission, they have now returned again to their labors. Nov. 20th, Mrs. Adelaide McKelvey, wife of Rev. Joseph McKelvey, of the mission to China, departed this life after only a few hours' illness. thus the fondest hopes of many that saving good would be borne through her to many a benighted heathen were suddenly and forever cut off. was a woman of devoted piety, zeal and worth, and her early death was a calamity to our church and the heathen. In Damascus Mrs. Scott. wife of the Rev. Wm. O. Scott, a devoted missionary of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and laboring in connection with our mission in the Syrian field, died on the very threshold of her work, at the early age of twenty two years. On the 30th of December the mission in India and our whole church sustained a painful loss in the death of the Rev. George W. SCOTT, a native ordained minister and member of the Presbytery of Sealkote. He was one of the most valued and useful of all our laborers in the foreign field. Two days after this painful event the Rev. WM. G. MOOREHEAD, of the mission in Italy, was called to part by death with a beloved child, and in the worn down and exhausted condition of Mrs. Moorehead's health, he has since been constrained to seek recovery for her by a visit to their native land. After nearly nine years' absence in laborious work in Egypt, Miss MARTHA J. McKown has felt it her duty to visit once more her aged parents, and accordingly arrived in this country for this purpose on the 26th of last month, proposing, however, to return to her mission early in the coming fall.

With the exception of these changes, all our foreign missionaries have been able to prosecute their work with scarcely a single interruption, and in no year, as a whole, has there been more cheering evidence of the presence and blessing of the God of missions. Thus, while the Assembly and the church may well express their sense of the loss sustained in the death of some of our devoted missionaries and the enfeebled state of others, yet in all that has occurred much may also be seen to arouse us, by every affecting and solemn consideration, to a more earnest and determined interest in this great cause, and to be encouraged in its prosecution. The field is white for the harvest. Work while it is called to-day—the night cometh.

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### MISSIONS.

In any report of our missions here, very little more than a general statement can be made. In the Annual Report, however, which will shortly be published in pamphlet form, each mission will be presented at full length, and as their narratives and statements of each are of an interesting character, most earnestly is it urged that the members of the Assembly and of the church at large will carefully read them. The following general facts may now be stated:

### CHINA.

This mission has its place of operations in Canton, a city of about one million of inhabitants. During last spring, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. McKelvey reached this field, and with great interest set themselves at once to acquire the language and other fitness for their work. In less than seven months, however, Mrs. McKelvey suddenly rested from her labors. But, though well nigh crushed under a sense of his bereavement, Mr. McKelvey has steadily toiled on, and will soon be prepared to take some oversight of the mission school. With the exception of a few weeks, when he was compelled in his weakened health to retire with his children to Macao, the seaport of Canton, for rest, the Rev. J. C. Nevin has prosecuted his work throughout the year. He has revived and put on an efficient basis the school, and there nearly every day has given much religious instruction to

the young. He has regularly ministered in the preaching of the word, and is not without reason to know that his labor has not been in vain in the Lord.

During the year there has been a steady effort to procure a lot and secure suitable premises for this mission. Various things have caused delay. Among these one of the most pressing has been the want of the amount of money which the Assembly appropriated, and which that mission was authorized by the Board to expect. But this money has not been placed in our treasury, and that mission is still without a home. Who can tell how much might have been done for the comfort, and perhaps usefulness and even life itself of those two noble women who now sleep in their silent graves, if only a proper mission home had been provided? But now, so far as they are concerned, it is too late. Yet the mission needs such a home. Shall it not be promptly furnished?

In view of the bereaved state of his family, Mr. Nevin is about to return for a short season to this country. In regard to this mission it only remains to say, and it is a humiliating statement, that while \$9,800 were appropriated to this tried and afflicted mission by the last Assembly,

\$5,000 was all that could be sent.

### INDIA.

No reinforcement has been sent during the year to this important mis-The stations at Sealkote, Gujranwala and Zafarwal have been steadily occupied, though sometimes, in view of the long continued and painfully weighty burdens and responsibilities resting on the brethren in this mission, they have been well nigh ready to faint. One of their number, the Rev. G. W. Scott, one of the oldest and most valued of all our missionaries, has fallen-yet with a truly noble spirit, and in view of the necessities around, his widowed wife has asked to take his place in some humble measure, and give herself more fully to the work. Accordingly she is now the superintendent of the female schools in the city of Gujranwala. Rev. Mr. Barr, besides sharing fully in all the labors and cares of the mission, has been compelled, with his wife, to mourn over the death of one of his children, and has been much worn down. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Martin have made good progress in learning the language and in doing important mission service. Mr. J. W. Gordon has conducted the Industrial School with advantage, Miss Gordon has faithfully labored to do what she could, and all the mission work has been steadily carried But in view of the great need of help for the girls' schools, and to have the gospel reach the women, and in our failure to send out female missionaries to relieve Miss Gordon and take care of these schools, the wives of the missionaries have felt constrained to leave their own children and household duties, and undertake this great and pressing work this necessity ought not to be laid on them. Might not the women—the Christian favored women-of our church here at home at once see that help is sent to meet this great call?

All the schools have been carried on throughout the year, have been well attended, and in several instances have given pleasing evidence that the truth which is so steadily brought before the young mind is having saving effect. In each of the stations the gospel has been regularly preached, and gratifying additions have been made to the church. At Sealkote, thirteen adults were baptized on the profession of their faith, three of whom were from the Girls' Orphanage. Eight children were also baptized, making twenty one baptisms in all at this station during the year. At Gujranwala, both the boys' and girls' schools have been carried on, and an important city school has been opened. Two services for preaching have been steadily held on the Sabbath, and a prayer meeting

during the week. Bazaar and itinerant preaching have been steadly maintained. At Zafarwal a gratifying effort has been made to found a Christian community, and under the labors of the lamented Scott during the past year, principally at this station, good reason has been given for anti-

cipating great good from the movement.

The Board cannot close this statement without mentioning also the painful fact that the mission house for Rev. James S. Barr at Gujranwala is still unfinished. With its walls up and its roof partially on, and even this much done only on borrowed money, the work has had to be stopped, while our faithful and laborious brother is still after long years without a house, and much of the time only in a tent. Ought this so to be? Can we dwell in our ceiled houses, and have our self-denying, hard working brother forced to continue in this condition year after year, and we expect the blessing of God in any way upon our church?

### SYRIA.

In this mission there has been little change. The new house of worship has been found a great and useful acquisition. The school building which has been so largely provided for by the children of our Sabbath schools here at home, is now about finished and is felt to be of great moment. In Damascus all the regular preaching and school services have been kept up, and none of the mission stations at Nebk, Yabrud, Deir Atiyeh, Rasheiya, Ein-Es-Shaara have been neglected. Other places have

pressingly asked for the means of grace.

In all this great work the Rev. Mr. Crawford has been still the only laborer from our church. Most pleasant and useful have his relations continued to be with the missionaries of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland in sharing the labors and expenses of the mission. But in this he is likely to be tried. The Rev. Smiley Robson, one of the original founders of the mission, is about to withdraw, after nearly thirty years' hard service. The Rev. Mr. Scott is in feeble health—and thus the Rev. Mr. Wright, will be the only missionary left with Mr. Crawford for cultivating this wide and important field. Most touchingly does our brother ask still, as he so often has, for a co-laborer in his lonely condition, and in that first and in some respects most interesting of all our missions. Surely he ought to have that help.

### ITALY.

The Rev. Mr. Moorehead, who still retains his connection with our church, but labors under the direction of the American and Foreign Christian Union, has had his headquarters during the year in the important city of Florence. His superintendence reaches over many different places, which he occupies as preaching or teaching stations. More and more widely is the word of the Lord having free course in the land of Italy and is blessed to the spiritual enlightening of many who have long sat in darkness and in the region and shadow of death.

### EGYPT.

The great points which this mission occupies are Alexandria, Cairo, the Fayoum, Osiout, Koos and Mansoura. Besides these there are numerous towns and villeges where, by means of teachers, or colporteurs, and Bible readers, much efficient work is done. At all these leading points missionaries are placed, and under their direction there are both boys' and girls' schools, more or less complete church organizations, regular Sabbath and weekly religious services and a regular dispensation of the word and sacraments of grace

In Alexandria Rev. B. F. Pinkerton has been the stated laborer. The

church, which has one ruling elder and two deacons, has had an accession of fifteen members on the profession of their faith. The boys' school has had over one hundred names on its roll, and \$147 have been received for tuition. The girls' school, under the instructions of Miss Saada Gregory, a very devoted teacher, has had 108 pupils in it, of whom 55 were Jewesses. The tuition fees paid in this school amounted to \$117. Books have been sold at the book shop to the amount of \$210. The mission church here has contributed liberally for the Lord's cause, and paid fully one-third the salary of the student from the Theological Seminary that during the four months of the vacation ministered among them.

In Cairo, the boys' school, under the superintendence of Mr. Strang, has averaged throughout the year an attendance of 85, and at the close of the year 107 were on its roll. During the year the school was self-supporting to the amount of \$384.40. Here, also, are two girls' schools, one in charge of Mr. Strang, after Mrs. Lansing left, and the other under Miss Sarah In these schools there are about 100 girls, and a lively interest is taken by them in seeking after knowledge and in being fitted for spheres of usefulness in their coming years. The church in this city has had thirteen added to its communion during the year, and the congregation have unanimously called one of the young men of the Theological School at Osiout to be its pastor. He is a young man of much promise. Through the book shop here several hundred dollars worth of books have been scattered abroad, and the press, which was most generously presented the mission by His Highness the Maharajah Dhuleep Singh, has brought out, under the able direction of Mr. Strang, several books and tracts that had been prepared by Drs. Barnet and Lansing and by Rev. Mr. Hogg, which are already exerting a powerful influence for good among the Arabicspeaking population of the land. Messrs. James Barnet, G. Lansing and S. C. Ewing, ministers, D. Strang, printer, and Miss Sarah Hart, teacher, are laboring in this important station.

At the Fayoum, which is the principal town in an important district some distance back from the Nile, Mr. Harvey and his wife have been the efficient laborers for the year. Both boys' and girls' schools have been carried on, regular Sabbath services have been held, and three persons have been added to the communion.

In Osiout, which lies about 270 miles up the Nile and has a population of over 30,000 people, one of the most successful of all our missions has been maintained. In the Theological School, which has been ably conducted by Rev. John Hogg, there are twenty-two students, and the course of study, which is with a reference to the ministry, is a thorough one. In the schools much useful knowledge has been imparted, and besides having charge of the girls' school here, Miss McKown, together with Mrs. Hogg, has been able to do much to instruct women who were at their homes and have hitherto had little or no idea that their sex could be raised up from a most ignorant and degraded condition in life. church in this place God has done great things. Twenty-eight persons have been received into its communion, making forty-two who have been admitted on examination since its organization, and fifty-seven altogether, including those who have joined on certificate. Much of this has been brought about through meetings, very often held at night, by the people among themselves for the simple reading of the Scriptures. With a somewhat remarkable and most devoted spirit the members of this congregation have bought an eligible lot and taken the necessary steps for erecting a building for a church, two schools and a residence for their future pastor, and all this without the aid of a single dollar from our mission Treasury.

At this station Dr. D. R. Johnston has been placed, and already it has

been most happily demonstrated that our church did well in sending him out. During the first three months of his residence here, ending December 31, he had received 247 calls for medical practice, made 195 prescriptions and received 1,520 piastres (nearly \$50 in gold) in fees. With all this also he is able to exert a positive influence all the time in favor of the gospel.

In Koos, where the Rev. Mr. Currie has specially labored, the work has been carried steadily on. Fam Stephanas, the principal elder elect, has been a most devoted laborer. Mikhail El Beliane, the native pastor elect, has not been able, from protracted sickness, to be installed, but has done much to promote the spirituality of the church and to make the gospel known. Thirteen persons, seven males and six females, have been added to the church. Thirty-five scholars are in the school, and 124 volumes of

the Scriptures and other books have been sold.

The Rev. Mr. Watson has been assigned, as by a special appointment of God, through the use of the lot, by Presbytery, to Mansoura, an important town in the Delta. Awad Hanna, a deacon of the church in Cairo, had done much towards founding and superintending this station. Forty-five boys and thirty girls are in the schools. Of this station it may be emphatically said, that while a great degree of ignorance exists in the field generally, yet the way has been successfully opened up for occupying it, and precious fruits of labor are already seen.

In the sovereign orderings of Divine Providence, the large country of Abyssinia, having in it many people in strong sympathy with multitudes of those among whom our missionaries labor with most success in Egypt, has been brought to our special consideration. After much deliberation the brethren of the Egyptian Mission have forwarded a statement which the Board have directed should be laid herewith before the General As-

sembly.

In closing our notice of the mission in Egypt, it may be confidently said that God, who we believe led our church to undertake it, has evidently been the breaker-up of our way in it and is going before us still. Only let us follow as he leads, sowing beside all waters in that land, never being weary in well-doing, and in due time, as its wide bounds may be through with teeming multitudes of the called and sanctified and saved, there His voice may be heard saying, as He has promised, Egypt, MY PEOPLE!

### MISSION PREMISES.

In all our missionary work it was early felt that suitable mission premises would be of great moment for the health, the comfort and the usefulness of our missionaries, and also for giving an air of permanence and desirableness to the work in which they were engaged. Accordingly, in Sealkote, Damascus, Alexandria and Cairo, much has been done on this behalf, and the good effects are seen every way. Much is anticipated also from what the members of the mission church in Osiout, in Upper Egypt, are so nobly doing to secure themselves mission buildings.

More, however, is painfully called for. In Canton, China, there is no house for the missionary residence, or proper place for schools and for preaching. At Gujranwalla, in India, the house for which our faithful missionary and his family have suffered so long and so much, is unfinished, and must be until funds are sent to complete it. In Alexandria, in Egypt, where the Christian converts are doing much themselves to meet the expenses of their hired chapel, to pay their native preacher and to assist the poor, still there is no house of worship. In Koos, in Upper Egypt, the only place which the tried and earnest Christians there have for their solemn assembly is a mere shed, and that so small that many of

the hearers often have to sit outside in the burning sun during the service. In Mansoura, in Lower Egypt, the boys' school and the church services are held in a building that has three small uncomfortable rooms and is in no sense pleasant or proper for its purpose.

Most carnestly, therefore, does the Board commend this important subject to the sympathy and the earnest action of the Assembly and of all

the churches.

### NEW MISSIONARIES.

The call for help from several of our missions is most urgent. Rev. John Crawford has long been the only missionary from our church in Damascus and the various stations in its vicinity. Rev. Mr. McKelvey is about to be left alone in our mission in China, and more urgent than ever, if possible, is the necessity for reinforcement to India. All experience, however, goes far to show that a single missionary or a poorly manned mission has little moral force before any people, and it is usually long before either can accomplish much or any thing for their purpose.

During the past year the Board have had neither the means nor the men to carry out the resolution of the last Assembly for reinforcing any of our missions. But if this Assembly will reliably provide the funds, and appoint the missionaries that are required, or will direct the Board to do it, and will adequately provide for the support of those who may be sent in the time to come, results may follow that will bring glory to God, enriching blessings upon our church here at home and salvation to multi-

tudes now ready to perish far hence.

If, however, it is thought that this cannot be done—if our missionaries are to be left to struggle alone and be poorly and uncertainly provided for—then the Board earnestly, but respectfully, submit to the Assembly the question whether retrenchment or concentration would not be better than to have our force so scattered, our missionaries be so inadequately provided for and our prospect so feeble of anything being early and reliably done to have our operations in a better way.

### FRIENDS AND HELPERS.

During the past year much kindness has been shown us. At the time of our sorest perplexity and need, one of the members of our church evinced his interest in Christ and in this cause by generously forwarding one thousand dollars to our Treasury. Two persons have so felt the necessity for female reinforcement to be sent to India, that they have generously engaged to pay the annual salaries of any two suitable Christian ladies whom we may send to that mission. The American Bible and Tract Societies are understood to have made their usual generous donations to our missions in Egypt and China. Recently a company of American and English travellers in Egypt, after witnessing in Alexandria and Cairo and up the Valley of the Nile the work of our mission, made to our brethren for their work the liberal presentation of the sum of £96 10s—over \$700 in our currency.

Abroad, also, favors have continued to be shown us. David Stuart, Esq., of Liverpool, England, has repeated all the generous attentions to our outgoing and returning missionaries which have distinguished him for so many years. The British and Foreign Bible Society, the Turkish Missions Aid Society, and the Paisley Ladies' Missionary Society, have all made liberal grants to some of our missions. From the Countess of Aberdeen, and others in various parts of Scotland and England, generous contributions have been made for the furtherance of our work.

Specially, also, in the list of the friends of our missions has been H. H. THE PRINCE DHULEEP SINGH. His annual donation of £500, for

the support of missionaries in Egypt, was made in June last, and when the word was lately borne him of the impoverished state of the funds for the mission in that land, he went to London, had a meeting of great distinction called in Exeter Hall, presided at it and delivered an address, and thus efficiently directed attention to the great work of Eastern evangelization. Very greatly also is he deepening our obligations to him by the interest he is manifesting in our mission specially at Gujranwalla, his native place in India. His house, too, in England, has been generously open to our missionaries, and their work has uniformly and largely found a warm place in his prayers and his benefactions.

To him, and to all the friends and societies which have so generously remembered us and provided for us, the Assembly's most generous expres-

sions of gratitude are due.

### MATTERS OF REFERENCE.

During the year the Board have been called to consider the question, What shall be done for the help of missionaries in the foreign field whose children return to this country for an education? and have referred the whole subject to the General Assembly, with a recommendation that the Assembly will adopt some general rule for the future in this matter, and that the sum of \$100 be allowed to each of the two sons of the Rev. Dr. Lansing who have been prosecuting their studies in this country during the past year.

Another question has been in reference to the length of time returned missionaries in this country shall continue to draw funds from our Treasury. Considerable anxiety has been manifested on this subject, and the Board have had perplexity in regard to it. With an earnest desire to have some rule that will be proper and satisfactory adopted, the Board respectfully refer to the Assembly the following paper for its consideration,

and, if thought best, its adoption:

WHEREAS, The question of the connection of returned missionaries with the Board is attended with difficulties; and whereas, it is not deemed expedient for them to continue long in connection with the Board when there is not a reasonable hope of their return to the fields of labor; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That the General Assembly be requested to rescind the following specific action of 1866 and 1868 in relation to this matter, viz.:

- (1.) That in case of continued disability, the Board be authorized to continue to returned missionaries the usual salary given the first six months after their return.
- (2.) That in all ordinary cases the Board be directed to pay our foreign missionaries at the rate of half salary in gold, while necessarily absent from their field of labor.

Resolved, 2. That Rule 10, in General Rules and Recommendations, be amended by striking out the words "six months or one year," and insert "not more than two years."

### NEW APPOINTMENTS.

With a view of meeting the call for persons to relieve Miss Gordon in the Girls' Schools, and to labor among the women in India, and gratefully relying upon the pledge of certain persons to pay the annual salaries of a reinforcement, the Board have appointed Miss Mary E. Welsh to proceed on that mission as soon as the hot season is over, and recommend that the Assembly instruct the Board to send another person with her, if one can be found in time for it.

In view, also, of the need of a laborer immediately to take part with the Rev. John Crawford in the Syria Mission, and also of one to take the place of the lamented G. W. Scott of the India Mission, the Board recom-

mend that if the churches shall show such an interest in this great cause as to have in the Treasury by September next the means required to send such reinforcement, the Assembly instruct the Board to endeavor to find suitable men, and send either one or both of them out, as they may be able.

### MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

Under a deep sense of the fact that the interest of our people in the cause of missions and the measure of their liability on its behalf has been, and almost of necessity must be always in proportion to the amount of information which they have in regard to it, and the spirit in which it is brought before them from time to time, the Board most earnestly ask that the Assembly will call upon all pastors and sessions under its care to have missionary intelligence circulated among their people, have missionary meetings held, and endeavor to have all feel the fall import of the great command, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

### ESTIMATES.

While the Assembly is not called upon to undertake any new and expensive work for the present year abroad, yet in order to meet the current engagements and expenses, the following amounts it is believed must be had for the ensuing year, viz: for India, \$15,998; for China, \$10,000; for Syria, \$2,200; for Egypt, \$27.203—being a total of \$55,000 in gold, or at the rate of 1.45 in exchange, as at the present time, \$80,331.45.

Most earnestly is it asked that pastors and elders will take efficient steps to have funds come in at different periods of the year. Many defer any effort to raise monies for this fund until Fall, and perhaps near the next meeting of the Assembly. But the current expenses of the missions are going on from the beginning and all through the year. If little or nothing is contributed during these early months, the Treasury is exhausted, and then what can follow but suffering and disaster?

Most earnestly also is it asked that Treasurers of congregations and societies, and the different Financial Agents will promptly forward to the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Fund any monies that come into their

hands at the earliest possible moment.

### RECOMMENDATIONS.

In concluding this Report, the Board respectfully suggest:

1. That the General Assembly render special thanksgiving to God for all that he has enabled our United Presbyterian Church to undertake and accomplish in the cause of Foreign Missions during the first ten years of its history, and that the whole church be called upon for a renewed consecration to this great work for the time to come.

2. That the cause of Foreign Missions be earnestly commended to a still more frequent and fervent place in the prayers of the closet, the family

and the sanctuary in all our churches.

- 3. That in view of the long and painful delay in having the mission in China furnished as it ought to be with the means for its efficiency and success, and in view of the general indications of Divine Providence in regard to our whole mission work, it is recommended that the Assembly consider the expediency of transferring that mission to some sister missionary organization in that field.
  - 4. That in case this transfer should be made, that the Board be instructed

to reinforce the mission in India.

5. That the Assembly recognize Abyssinia as an extension of the Egyptian mission, and that the Board be directed to take steps for the occupancy of that field by means of the force now in Egypt, with the addition if necessary of a medical missionary from this country.

### GENERAL STATEMENT OF OUR MISSIONS.

Missions-FIVE, viz: Syria, India, Egypt, China and Italy.

STATIONS AND OUT STATIONS—44. The principal stations are eleven, viz.: Damascus in Syria, Sealkote and Gujranwalla in India, Canton in China, Alexandria, Cairo, the Fayoum, Osiout, Koos and Mansoura in Egypt, and Florence in Italy. The Out-Stations, 33 in number, are in the vicinity of these stations respectively.

MISSIONARIES.—There are eighteen ordained ministers, five unmarried female missionaries, one physician, one printer, one superintendent, and about seventy native teachers, colporteurs, catechists, Scripture readers

and helpers.

The missionaries are as follows: In Syria, Rev. John Crawford and wife in Damascus. In India, Rev. James S. Barr and wife and Mrs. G. W. Scott in Gujranwalla; Rev. Samuel Martin and wife, Rev. E. Swift, Miss Elizabeth G. Gordon and Mr. J. W. Gordon and wife, Superintendent, in Seakote; and Revs. And. Gordon and E. H. Stevenson and their wives, now in this country.\* In Egypt, Jas. Barnett, D.D., and wife, G. Lansing, D. D., and wife, Rev. S. C. Ewing and wife, Miss Sarah Hart, and D. Straug and wife, printer, in Cairo; Rev. B. F. Pinkerton and wife and Miss S. Gregory in Alexandria; Rev. Andrew Watson and wife and Mansoura; Rev. Wm. Harvey and wife at the Fayoum; Rev. J. Hogg and wife, Miss M. J. McKown, now in this country, and D. R. Johnston and wife, physician, in Osiout; and Rev. D. Currie in Koos. In China, Revs. J. C. Nevin and J. McKelvey in Canton. In Italy, Rev. W. G. Moorehead and wife in Florence. Total, 44.

Schools, including boys' and girls', about 40, and 1080 scholars.

CHURCHES, twelve, with a total of 350 communicants Appropriations by the last General Assembly, \$90,000.

RECEIPTS from all sources, \$58,823.86, and asked for, for the ensuing year, \$80.331.45.

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A member is to be appointed to fill the place of Samuel C. Huey, resigned, and also the places of J. B. Dales and John Alexander, whose terms expire at this neeting of the General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Board.

J. T. COOPER, President. J. B. Dales, Cor. Sec.

### III. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS TO THE FREEDMEN.

To the United Presbyterian General Assembly, to meet in Monmouth, Illinois, May 26th, 1869, the Board of Missions to the Freedmen would present its sixth Annual Report.

Our work has been prosecuted during the past year without interruption, and has been crowned with a good measure of success. The same stations have been occupied, and no new ones have been established. More than once we were solicited to open new schools in other parts of the south, but it being manifest that the appropriation made by the last General Assembly would not all be paid into our treasury, we did not deem it advisable to commence any new enterprises. We judged it better to hold the ground taken, than begin in a new field without the visible means of its cultivation.

It is with deep regret, that we announce the death of Rev. J. G. M'KEE, Sept. 25th, 1868, the devoted and faithful Superintendent at Nashville. The members of the Board unanimously testify to his great purity as a Christian and his eminent usefulness as a labourer in this part of Christ's vineyard. Indeed, we have never seen him surpassed as an efficient worker, while his power to plan and to see his way out of embarrassing difficulties was extraordinary. His death was a

<sup>\*</sup> Miss M. E. Welsh, under appointment.

severe loss to the church and to the poor people for whose elevation he spared not his health and means. For some two or three months the station was left without a ministerial Superintendent. In time, the Rev. John Gailey, of Butler Presbytery, was appointed the successor of brother M'Kee, and remained at the station until May Ist, 1869. Since that time, the place has been filled by the Rev. S. F.

Thompson, who will remain until the last of June.

During the year, not so much has been realized from the Freedmen's Bureau, or from tuition tees, as we had expected. The state of Mississippi is yet unreconstructed, and of course no public school fund has yet been created, available for the aid of freedmen's schools. In Tennessee, the school law has gone into operation, so as to be instrumental in furnishing aid in a few localities. Thus, while a number of our teachers at Nashville-have been paid from the common school fund, those in Knoxville and vicinity have received but little compensation except from the Treasurer of the Board. Our Superintendents all seem hopeful that, in the course of another year, the States may make ample provision for the education of their people. When this has been done, the common school work, conducted under the supervision of this Board, will be at an end. But in that event, we are clearly of the opinion, that the church which it represents should at some needy and promising point in the south establish a large Normal school for the training of coloured men and women to teach their own race. By this movement, great good might be accomplished, and we regard the matter as deserving of early and serious consideration by the Assembly. But in any event, the moral and religious work hitherto conducted ought not to be abandoned. Means should be raised in abundance to carry it on; for those poor people are greatly in need of moral training, and what we have already accomplished among them encourages the hope. that in time self-sustaining congregations of the United Presbyterian Church may be established. We say, in time,—because our membership will chiefly come from the youth educated in our schools. And as you do not expect self-sustaining congregations to spring up in Egypt or India in a few years, so such a hope among the freedmen would be vain, because they are almost as deeply sunken in ignorance, superstition and vice as the people of a heathen land.

Corps No. I., located at Vicksburg, has been under the superintendence of the Rev. W. II. Buchanan. His assistants have been James E. Black, Misses Scott, Gibson, Cummings, Paul, Raitt, Reid, Mrs. M. J. Buchanan and Mrs. Anna A.

Watkins, (coloured.)

The enrolment at this station has been 613 in the day-schools,—107 in the night schools, and 363 in the Sabbath school. The night-schools were conducted for seven months. The schools have been thoroughly graded, and are reputed as second to none in the State.

The Superintendent has, up to May 1st, 1869, received from other sources than the treasurer of our Board, \$1109.01, and goods estimated to be worth \$225. These contingent funds have been expended in necessary repairs upon the buildings, and

in providing some necessaries for the poor of the people.

Three members have been added to the congregation, which was organized May 9th, 1868, with fourteen members. Five children have been baptized during the year. Two weekly prayer-meetings are held. The attendance on preaching has been gradually improving, the audiences being composed largely of the young, and the more intelligent and better educated of the people. There is every reason to hope, that if the church has patience to cultivate the field, and will devise liberal things for its benefit, a good congregation will grow up from the ranks of the educated, which will reflect honour on the church and exert great influence over the coloured race.

The buildings are reported to be in need of repairs, and for this purpose, in addition to the amount we hope to derive from the Freedmen's Bureau, we ask the Assembly for \$300. Also, to carry on the school work and religious instruction,

we ask an appropriation of \$4,000.

The Second Corps is located at Nashville. There are here two stations, under one general Superintendency. There have been three ministerial Superintendents during the year, namely, Rev. J. G. M'Kee, who died September 25th, 1868. Rev. John Gailey, who resigned May 1st, 1869, and Rev. S. F. Thompson, now in service. Thomas R. Andrews, who has taught under the care of the city authorities of Nashville, has acted as our Business Agent during the year.

At station No. I., the following persons have laboured: Aggie E. Hammond, Aggie Wallace, Nannie M'Kee, Eliza Armstrong, Mary Arbuthnot, Mrs. Maggie

R. Elliott, and Mrs. Ada A. M'Kee, also R. R. Atchison spent some months in

the field before entering the Seminary at Xenia.

At station No II., James P. M'Kee, Maggie D. M'Kee, and Mary Taggart have been employed. Also, Maggie Simpson has been working in the mission, though not commissioned by us. Thomas Ewing received his commission from our Board, but was paid from the county school funds.

The enrolment for the year in these schools has been 1094. The largest average attendance for any month was 752 in the day schools and 343 in the Sabbath

The night and industrial schools were conducted for two months by Mrs. M. J.

Skinner, two thirds of whose salary was paid by the Board.

From other sources than our Treasurer, there were received in cash \$1181.29. nearly all of which sum was expended for insurance and repairs.

The estimated value of the clothing received is \$1144. The value of books do-

nated to indigent pupils is \$31.40.

There is, in connexion with this mission a very interesting congregation which now numbers 58 members. Twelve members have been received during the year:

six adults and one infant have been baptized.

The judgment of our business agent is, that next year nothing will be needed to operate station No. I., as the City authorities have made ample provision for the payment of teachers in that part of the corporation. He says that \$3000 should be appropriated for station No. II., and we earnestly ask you to allow us this amount.

The house at station No. I., has been rented this year to School Directors, for school purposes only, for \$250, and, though not yet paid, no doubt is entertained

that it will be.

The Third Corps is located at Knoxville and vicinity. Until November 30th, 1868, S. B. Moore acted as Superintendent: since that time, the position has been filled by Dr. J. W. Brown. Misses Maggie Kelly, and Sally J. Balph have taught in Knoxville: Mattie L. M'Kelvey at Louisville, and Thomas Creswell at East Port.

The total enrolment in these schools has been 520, -in the Sabbath School 300. During the year the county Superintendent of schools paid to our teachers the sum of \$400, and from the same source there are yet due them \$470, but it is not certain that this amount will be available.

\*Only \$37 in money were received from friends in the north, and clothing supposed to be worth \$225.

In the event that these schools are supported by us during the next year, an appropriation of \$2000 will be needed for that purpose, and \$150 for repairs on

the building.

But as there is no hope of being able to organize a congregation there, the ground for church purposes being covered by other denominations, we ask the advice of the Assembly whether we shall continue to occupy the field for another year. An inquiry was lately received from the Rev. Mr. Sawyer, of the New School Presbyterian Church, as to whether our Board would feel disposed to sell its property and transfer its schools to the care of the Board of that church. therefore ask the direction of the Assembly in this matter, without expressing our own opinion thereon.

At Leavenworth, Kansas, the work has been continued during the year. The Rev. D. Forsythe spent some months in that field as Superintendent, but was relieved by the Rev. John R. Riley, (coloured) who is now there operating with much acceptance and success. On the 25th of February last, a congregation of twelve members was organized, to which four have been added since. There have been five adult and one infant baptism. The people themselves have contributed \$142.10 for the support of the work and \$175 have been received from foreign

parties during the year.

In the sabbath school from April, 1868, to April 1869 there have been enrolled 1815 scholars. The average monthly attendance has been considerably over one hundred. The Rev. Mr. Riley has shown himself to be an earnest worker. During five nights of the week he is engaged in labours for the benefit of the people. On Wednesday evening he conducts a Bible Class which is well attended, and on the Sabbath his audiences have been gradually improving and the friends of the enterprise seem quite hopeful of success. We will need an appropriation of \$1000 for this station during the coming year.

The last General Assembly directed the Board to purchase a suitable building at Leavenworth, and appropriated \$3000 for that purpose. In the faith that the means would be supplied, the Board purchased the church building and lot belonging to the United Presbyterian congregation of that place for \$3000; but in the course of a few months we discovered that we must give up the property or borrow money. Rather than thus suspend our work, we concluded to borrow \$2000,—one thousand of which remains unpaid, but we expect to pay it when it falls due in June, with funds not derived from the regular contributions of the church.

The value of the property owned by the Board and reported last year is about

the same as then. All our buildings are insured.

And now, dear brethren, we have given you this minute report for the year, that you and the church which you represent might fully understand what has been done. And have we not some reason, at least, to thank God and take courage? Is it not matter of gratitude, that so many of this ignorant race have had their minds brought under the influence of education? No man can measure the good that has been done. The numbers on the school rolls cannot represent it, because these have exerted an influence for good over hundreds who have never been in our schools. And should we not hail with pleasure the prospect that the work of secular education will soon be taken exclusively under the care of State authorities? It is surely wonderful to behold the once slaveholding States, providing by law for the education and elevation of those whom they held in bondage by the same instrumentality! And in view of this, together with the vast need of church work proper among these masses, your Board adopted the following resolution, which is hereby communicated for your action:-"Resolved, that we earnestly recommend to the next General Assembly, the propriety of consolidating this Board with the Board of Home Missions." We pray you to take this matter into serious consideration, and to come to such wise conclusions as will be for the best interests of the work. We are persuaded that the work which will hereafter fall to our lot to perform, legitimately belongs to the Home Board and ought to be managed by the same.

In concluding this report, we present the following summary, for the sake of convenience and information:—Whole number of pupils taught in day schools, 2334; in sabbath schools, 2821.—Whole amount of money derived from other sources than the Treasurer of the Board, \$3,075,80. Whole value of clothing received

and distributed, \$1594.

Whole amount received by the Treasurer to May 19th, 1869, \$13,736,96; o which he has paid out \$12,330,55. Balance on hand, \$1406,41. The entire indebtedness of the Board at this date, above its means in the Treasury, is about \$2900.

And now we submit all to the Assembly, in the confidence and hope, that such measures will be adopted as will greatly advance the mental and spiritual interests of these poor people. They are not yet able to get along without your help. Grateful for what you have already done in their behalf, they still look to you for aid. As their friends and the friends of moral culture and elevation, we ask you to devise such liberal things as by the Divine blessing shall greatly help to fit them for positions of honour and usefulness in the church and nation. They can be so educated as to be efficient instruments in reclaiming the generation from sin and vice, and the church cannot be faithful to the God of the poor unless she does all she can to secure their education. Wishing you harmony in counsel, wisdom in judgment, and success in every worthy enterprise, we humbly submit this our report.

The term of service of John Dean, James Mitchell and James Patterson, as members of the Board, expires at this meeting. We recommend the reappointment of John Dean and Jas. Mitchell, and that H. J. Murdoch be appointed in room of Mr. Patterson. Respectfully submitted. John B. Clark, Sec'y.

Allegheny, Pa., May 19, 1869.

### IV. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Pecuniary aid has been given by this Board during the past year to twenty-five students, who are under the care of eleven Presbyteries. This is less by four than the number who received aid during the year ending the spring of 1868, and less by fifteen than the number who received aid the year ending the spring of 1867.

This falling off in the number of beneficiaries is doubtless owing mainly to the knowledge of the fact that the Board was embarrassed by want of funds.

The past year has been indeed one of embarrassment with us. At its commencement, we were in debt to the amount of \$118,54, and owing to the scantiness of contributions to our funds, our indebtedness had to be increased by borrowing money wherewith to pay the instalments falling due to our beneficiaries during the year. The sum of \$10,000 was appropriated to this Board by the General Assembly last year, while we have received during the year only the sum of \$4,527,25. And it is to be observed, that a very large proportion of even this came into our hands near the end of the year; and thus, though we have been enabled at length to pay a considerable part of our indebtedness, the amount expended to pay interest, and which the prompt payment to this Board of the sum appropriated by the General Assembly would have saved, is lost to the church. After exhausting our Treasury, at the close of the financial year we are still in debt about \$600,00.

The General Assembly will at once see how we must be perplexed by proceeding on the expectation of receiving a given amount, and then actually receiving less than half that amount. Much better would it be to make a smaller appropriation, if that would insure its prompt contribution. Whether it would or not we cannot indeed say with certainty; but certain it is, that ever since the Assembly of 1865 raised the appropriation to this Board to \$10,000, there has been a great falling off in our receipts, as compared with the amount appropriated, and the result has

been constant embarrassment.

Undoubtedly, \$10,000 is none too much for the United Presbyterian Church to give annually on behalf of the great cause of Christian Education,—a cause become doubly important in our day, in view of the movements in the field of scientific research, and philosophical inquiry, by the enemies of revealed religion. But our business operations must be shaped, not in view of what the church ought to do in this matter, but in view of what we may with some certainty expect to be actually done by her. In the mean time, efforts ought to be used to train the minds of our people to a more enlightened view of their duty in this respect. This Board is willing to do its share of that work. But the task must devolve mainly on the Ministry, especially the pastors, throughout the church. And it is surely in their power to show the people, (and this, we trust, is all that is needed.) that it depends on their liberality whether our rising ministry, many of the candidates for which are poor, shall be thoroughly educated, and whether our Colleges and Theological Seminaries shall be sustained.

The last two General Assemblies directed the Board to pay 2,000 dollars each, to the Colleges at New Wilmington, Pa., and at Monmouth, Ills., out of the annual appropriation to the Board. Our construction of the action of the Assembly was, that the \$6,000 first received should be applied to the aid of students, and the remaining \$4,000 to the Colleges. As our receipts fell below \$6,000, of course nothing has been paid to the Colleges. Perhaps the experience of the past two years may be taken as a sufficient indication of the willingness of the church to aid the Colleges in this way. If this be the true interpretation of the matter, it will not be wise to continue the order to aid the Colleges through this Board. This, how-

ever, is submitted to the wisdom of the Assembly.

Should the Assembly see proper to discontinue this order, it must be remembered, that the Colleges have performed the condition on which they were to receive their appropriations, namely, "that these institutions secure to the beneficiaries of the Board the enjoyment of all their privileges free of tuition charges." Justice will require that the amount of these charges, for the past two years, be paid to the Colleges. The Board will probably need, for the purpose of aiding students the current year, not less than \$6,000, and, if the appropriation to the Colleges be continued, the requisite sum in addition.

We regret to have to say, that John E. Irvine, Esq., on account of long continued ill health,\* has resigned his membership in the Board. We recommend the election by the Assembly of J. A. Templeton of Monmouth to fill his unexpired

term.

The terms for which Dr. D. A. Wallace, J. H. Martin, Esq., and Rev. R. B. Ewing, were elected members of the Board expire at this meeting of the Assembly. We request the re-election of Dr. Wallace and Mr. Martin, and the election of Rev. J. M. Henderson in the place of Mr. Ewing, who declines re-election.

<sup>\*</sup> During his illness, he removed to Ohio, and we have since heard of his death.

The Treasurer's account to the close of the last financial year, has been examined and found correct, and his report to the Assembly is herewith presented.

John Scott, President. R. B. Ewing, Cor. Sec'y. J. A. Edie, Rec. Sec'v.

# V. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Board of Publication would respectfully report:-

That on the 23d day of July, 1868, our worthy Superintendent, Rev. James-RODGERS, D. D., departed this life in peace and in the triumphant hope of a glorious immortality through the merits of Christ. The Board here avails itself of the opportunity of testifying to his great worth as a minister of the gospel, as the Superintendent of this Board from its first organization, and in the various social relations of life. Indefatigable in every good work, honest and earnest in his clforts to glorify God and benefit his fellow man, he was abundant in labours as opportunity was afforded. To his earnestness and zeal does this Board, as an active working power in the church, now chiefly owe its existence and efficiency. Its inception, organization and success were, under God, from him. His name commanded the confidence of the church, and secured the donations of the wealthy and the liberal. Let it be our aim to honour his virtues by imitating them, by faithfully carrying forward that work, and maintaining those principles to which he devoted so many successful years of prayer and self-denying labour.

Soon after the death of Dr. Rodgers the Board elected Rev. Samuel Collins Superintendent of its work. No material interruption of our efforts to carry out the objects of the Board has taken place. The difficulty referred to in our last annual report of finding suitable books to publish has been our chief hinderance in this department. Only six new books were issued during the year, namely, "Bible department. Only six new books were issued during the year, namely, Bister Stories," by Barth, 2 vols., "Bible Series." by Green, 2 vols., "Anxious Inquirer," by J. A. James, and "Bow in the Cloud," by McDuff. We have issued new editions of several books previously printed by the Board. We have now in course of preparation a set of stereotype plates for an edition of Willison's Sacramental

Directory, which we expect to issue soon.

Our object has been to secure a sound and instructive, rather than a showy and fascinating literature for the church,-first, by publishing to the extent of our means; and secondly, by selecting and keeping on sale from other publishing houses in this country and Britain, -works safe and suitable for private and Sabbath school libraries. By this means our ministers and people are enabled to obtain their supplies of books, in most cases, at less than publishers' prices, and without the inconvenience of sending to all the different places from which our supplies are obtained.

The whole number of volumes of all sizes issued during the year, is about seventy-seven thousand, and the amount of sales nearly twenty-five thousand dollars. The Standards of the United Presbyterian Church, including the Government and the Directory for Worship, are now published as directed by the Assembly,

in one neat compact volume at the low price of one dollar.

The Assembly also directed that the "Rules of Order" be published by the Board and appended to the standards. But no copy of these rules has yet been furnished us. We were also directed to complete and publish the amendments to the Psalms as contemplated in the Report of 1865. The Board would respectfully ask more definite instructions on this subject. When would these amendments, in the judgment of the Assembly, be "complete?" Must every rhythmical inaccuracy and literary inelegance be removed? Or only the more glaring ones? In either case, by whom and by what standard are these amendments to be judged? Remembering the years of labour, and the varied talent employed on this work already, and the acknowledged difficulty of the task, the Board felt that it was not proper to proceed without more definite instructions.

It was our pleasure to receive, some months since, a communication from the Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia, informing us that their General Assembly (O. S.) had directed them to proceed to the work of preparing a Metricul Version of the Psalms, and asking the co-operation of our Board. We informed them of the action already taken by our church, referred them to your committee on the New Version, and assured them of our hearty interest and sympathy in their We respectfully suggest, that some proper steps be taken to promote the

object here referred to.

The last General Assembly appropriated to this Board Six Thousand Dollars. But little over one third of this amount, namely, \$2112 20, has been received.

In the embarrassed condition of the other Boards of the church, we were not disposed to complain, but have endeavoured to adapt our business to our means, Our donations of Bibles and Sabbath School books have not been as liberal as they otherwise would have been, or as the best interests of the church demanded, had we felt able to meet these demands. As in former years, we have not only added all the contributions of the church to our capital, but have also added a handsome profit from sales made, increasing our capital from this source, after paying all expenses, over three thousand dollars. We hope, during the coming year, to do much more to assist weak Sabbath Schools and mission stations in obtaining libraries than in any year past; and, to assist us in doing this, we ask, 1st, The liberality of the church in their donations; 2d, The advice and counsel of Presbyteries and the Superintendents of Missions,—that we may know the most needy places, the kind and amount of books wanted, etc.,—

The following is a brief statement of the finances of the Board:—

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To Amount reported last year, "Interest on loan,	\$31,076.89. 653.13.
" Donations not otherwise reported,	180.00. — 31,910.02.
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To amount reported last year,	23,972.98.
" Contributed this year,	2,112.20.
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By Plates,	\$11,993.11.
"Bibles, Testaments, and Psalms on hand,	8,101.24.
" U. S. Bonds,	7,000.00.
"Real estate and fixtures,	5,709.65.
" Donations during the year,	618.26 33,422.26.
II. PUBLICATION FUND.	
By plates reported last year,	4,143.07.
" added during year,	1,440.42.
" Books of United Presbyterian Board,	5,793.31.
" " other publishers,	6,467.90.
"Book accounts, net,	5,920.06.
Cash on hand,	4,688.61. — 28,453.37.
Total assets,	\$61,875.63.

The term of service of Dr. Rodgers, deceased, Dr. Gracey, and Mr. C. Arbuthnot, as members of this Board, has expired.

In conclusion, may grace, mercy and peace be upon you, and may all your deliberations be guided by the wisdom which is from above.

Respectfully submitted. John G. Brown, Pres't. S. Collins, Sup't.

### VI. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

In presenting this annual report, we are not able to communicate much information that would be of interest to the Assembly. During the year a considerable number of congregations recently organized, have been engaged in erecting houses of worship, and have appealed to us for assistance. But owing to the condition of the Treasury, we have been able in no case to give much material aid, and, in most instances, none at all. And as we could do nothing better, we have been subjected to the necessity of directing applicants for aid, to appeal to the liberality of different Presbyteries. With what success these appeals have been made, we are unable to say, in consequence of the failure on the part of those receiving aid to make a return of the amount to our Treasurer.

During the year there have been five meetings of the Board, when the contribu-

tions of the following Presbyteries were assigned to different congregations:—

The contributions of the Presbyteries of Westmoreland and Conemaugh were assigned to the congregation of Stewart's Station in the bounds of the former Presbytery. Those of the Presbytery of Le Claire were assigned to North Bend

in Nebraska. Those of the Presbytery of Monmouth to Biggsville in the bounds of that Presbytery. Those of the Presbyteries of Rock Island and St. Louis to Ottowa in Kansas. Those of the Presbytery of Muskingum to Monroe in Iowa. Those of the Presbytery of Keckuk to Albia in Iowa. Those of the Presbyteries of Wisconsin and Butler to Waupaca in the bounds of the former Presbytery. Those of the First Presbytery of Ohio to Oskaloosa in Iowa. Those of the Presbyteries of Cleveland and Lake to Lectona in the bounds of the former Presbytery. Those of the Presbytery of Monongahela to the 8th Ward Mission Church in Pittsburgh, Pa.

In distributing the small amount of funds at our disposal among the various congregations appealing to us for help, the Board had respect to the peculiar circumstances of the applicant, the importance of the place, and the prospect of relieving from embarrassment, by the small amount which we were able to contribute. With a view to make the funds on hand, from time to time, available for the assistance of the greatest number of congregations having a claim upon the benevolence of the church, the following distribution was made:—

To the congregation of Palmetto, Presbytery of Tennessee,	\$500.
To the congregation of Providence, Presbytery of Boston,	\$200.
To the congregation of Albia, Presbytery of Des Moines,	\$100.
To the congregation of North Bend, Presbytery of Nebraska,	\$100.
To the congregation of Winfield, Presbytery of Keokuk,	\$100.

The amount paid into the treasury during the year is \$1,724.69. Balance in the treasury at the commencement of the year \$320.46. As will appear from the report of the treasurer, the funds intrusted to our care have been distributed among the different congregations, which have made application to us for aid.

The term of office of J. T. Pressly, S. B. Reid and Thomas E. Wakeham expires at the present time. The re-election of Rev. S. B. Reid and Thomas E. Wakeham is recommended; and the Assembly is desired to appoint another in the room of John T. Pressly.

All which is respectfully submitted.

John T. Pressly, President.

### REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY IN SAN FRANCISCO.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church to meet in Mon-

mouth, Ill., May 26th, 1869.

Dear Brethren:—The year now closing, like those preceding it, has been of interest and progress in the history of this congregation. Our advancement has been gradual and constant. While the Lord has not blessed us with any special or remarkable outpouring of his Spirit, such as to constitute a revival, yet we have been constantly revived by the manifest presence and workings of that Spirit in and through the ordinary means of grace.

During the year we have received fifty-three; thirty-eight by certificate and fifteen on profession of faith. This makes the whole number received, since the organization of the congregation,—one hundred and eighty-three. Deducting, for deaths, dismissals and removals about thirty-three, we have an actual working

membership at present of one hundred and fifty.

One adult and thirteen children have been baptized.

Our prayer meetings, of which we have four each week, as reported last year,

are maintained with a good degree of interest.

The Sabbath School is also doing a good work. It has enrolled at present one hundred and sixty-one scholars with twenty-four Officers and Teachers. Thirty-eight new scholars have been added during the past month. It has contributed to the mission funds of the church \$40.20 in coin. The average attendance for the year has been, one hundred and five,—for the last quarter one hundred and seventeen.

At the beginning of the present month, we entered upon a somewhat more thorough mission work in connexion with this congregation than has before been at-

tempted.

Having for some time past been convinced that scattered throughout the city were those whose early education and preference doubtless would incline them to this church, yet who from carelessness or perhaps ignorance of our existence here were attending no place of worship; the question repeatedly presented itself, How shall we reach these persons? The following plan was adopted. Selecting that part

of the city lying adjacent to our present place of worship, in which we wished to

operate first, we proceeded to divide it into districts.

Then out of the congregation were selected those most suitable and who could conveniently command the time, to thoroughly canvass these districts, and bring in children to the Sabbath School; also, to report to the Session cose families not attending church, that they may be visited and urged to this duty. About twenty-five have been appointed to this work. One young man,—a graduate of New York City College,—with commendable energy has devoted most of his time in furthering this good cause. Already one thousand families have been visited,—resulting in large accessions to the Sabbath School, and will soon tell largely, we have reason to hope, on our Sabbath services, and, by the blessing of God, upon the word preached, in adding to the number of those who shall be saved.

It is with profound gratitude to our God, that under his continued, marked favour, we are enabled to report ourselves self-sustaining. And as a congregation we wish to extend to the Assembly our most sincere thanks for its fostering care over us, for the very generous support given us in the days of our infancy.

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This congregation has contributed to the Home and Foreign Mission Funds, and for all purposes, including subscriptions for the building fund. The contributions will average to the member twenty-seven dollars and thirty-three cents.

The necessary preparations are being made for building, some time during the ummer. We intend to commence, if possible, about the first of June. An archi-

tect is at present preparing the plans.

Something over one half of the appropriation made by the General Assembly of 1867 has been received. Had we the remainder, the chief difficulty in our way at present would be removed. I am satisfied the welfare of the cause here will not permit us to wait another year, unless some extraordinary difficulty should arise. We ought to have a church now. Brethren, we hope you will take this matter in hand, and relieve our embarrassment; for it is perplexing to know what to do, with not enough of capital to go forward without risk, yet too much to stand still. We are just at the point when the remainder of that appropriation would have the most effect on our progress.

I am happy to report another promising opening for our church in this State.

It comprises two principal points.

Salinas City and Castroville;—the former the more important,—located in

Monterey County.

This gives us a foothold in one of the richest valleys of California. These people ask no aid, either for sustaining a labourer or for building a house of worship, which they yet expect to do this year. They have already guarantied one thousand dollars as the present yearly support of the missionary. The growth here, most likely, will not be rapid; but I believe it will be substantial. The element already there is of that character. It is a matter of great satisfaction that the Executive Committee with a commendable promptness, were enabled to secure the services of a labourer, so worthy and efficient as Rev. W. II. Wilson, for this field.

Anticipating the desire of this Brother, I wish to lay before the Assembly the propriety of authorizing the formation of a Presbytery in this State. We can have no practical connexion with the Presbytery of Oregon, and we have at least

the minimum required by our standards.

Praying that the blessed Spirit of the great King and Head of the church may direct all your deliberations in all harmony and unity,—I subscribe myself

Your servant in the Lord,

San Francisco, Cal., April 28, 1869.

M. M. GIBSON.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

# I. REPORT OF THE DELEGATE TO THE ASSOCIATE REFORMED SYNOD OF THE SOUTH.

The duty devolved upon me, as a Commissioner, by the Assembly of 1868, I discharged. I met with the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, during its Sessions at Winnsboro, S. C., in Sept. last. By the brethren I was cordially received; and my sojourn among them was made most pleasant. By the Synod I was heard

courteously. "The Moderator replied in terms expressive of a corresponding fraternal feeling of his Synod for the Assembly, and of the wish and prayer on his part that peace might be within her walls, and prosperity within her palaces."

The invitation, however, which I was directed to extend was, perhaps, premature, as the Synod did not deem it advisable to accept it. The subject was dis-

posed of by the adoption of the following resolution:-

"Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to write a letter to the Assembly, stating the reasons why this Synod declines a correspondence, and why a Delegate is not appointed."

Respectfully submitted.

Jos. H. Pressly, Commissioner.

Erie, May 22d, 1869.

### II. LETTER FROM ASSOCIATE REFORMED SYNOD OF THE SOUTH.

BRETHER:—We, the undersigned, were appointed a committee by the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, at its meeting in Winnsboro, South Carolina, in September, 1868,—to write a letter to you stating the reasons why this Synod declined to appoint a Delegate to attend your Assembly, in response to the Delegate

that you were pleased to send to us.

We regret that the disagreeable necessity was imposed upon our Synod to decline an exchange of delegates with so large and influential a body as the United Presbyterian Church, whose numbers and resources quadruple ours twice told;—and that regret is increased by the consideration, that you, the larger body, with so much apparent unanimity, took the initiative in these proceedings, when you resolved in your Assembly, of May of last year, to open a correspondence with our Synod.

We feel it to be due to ourselves and to you, to show why it is that we have not

agreed to exchange one of the customary ecclesiastical courtesies with you.

It becomes necessary then for us to say, in this connexion, that many of us were in favour of exchanging delegations with you and of sending one of our number to Monmouth this year, to speak to you in person of our condition, trials, views and prospects, and to congratulate you in reference to your institutions, your Home and Foreign Missions, and all those Christian agencies which God in his providence has enabled you to put forth for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom,—in response to the traternal salutations extended to us by your Delegate at

our last meeting.

But it soon became apparent, that we had not the desirable unanimity. A number of the brethren were opposed to the proposed correspondence, and urged their objections with a zeal which made it necessary for the Synod to consider whether it would press the appointment of a Delegate to the United Presbyterian Assembly in the face of this opposition, or decline such appointment in deference to the feelings and convictions of the protesting members. The harmony of our body became an object of paramount consideration. In view, then, of the danger to be apprehended from the springing up of any root of bitterness among us, and recollecting some of the agitating scenes through which we have already passed, and which we wish to avoid for the future, if we can, we have taken such steps upon the question of correspondence as in our judgment the peace of our church Prudence seemed to dictate the propriety of avoiding any measure which would mar our peace or interrupt our harmony. Our reason then for our conduct in the case is conceived to be, in our condition,-namely, the want of unanimity upon that question,-a reason which candour compels us to state, and one, too, which your wisdom and consideration will perceive and appreciate.

We are not without hope, that the exercise by you and by us, of that charity which suffereth long, and which endureth all things, will be followed by mutually harmonizing results; harmonizing ourselves one with another with respect to the matter in question,—ourselves with you, and you with us, and bringing all into the obedience of the apostolic injunction, to 'be like minded, having the same

love, being of one accord, of one mind."

Trusting that these statements will enable you to put the proper construction upon our acts in regard to the delegation, we remain yours in the bonds of the gospel,

JAMES BOYCE,

W. R. HEMPHILL, H. T. SLOAN, Committee.

Fairfield, S. C., March 5, 1869.

# STATISTICS OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA FOR 1868-1869.

EXPLANATIONS.—\*, Last year's Report. †, Parsonage. A figure in parentheses,—as (2,) the number of Sabbath Schools in a congregation. A fraction, as \(\frac{1}{2}\), the portion of the minister's time taken by a congregation. The number in the footing of the column "Months open," is the average for the Presbytery. I. PRESBYTERIAL STATISTICS.

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Average Salary of Pastors, 823	THE YEAR ENDING MAY, 1869.    Missions—Home.
Synods, 7	Churches and Stations receiving
Total Presbyteries,	aid, 138
Independent Presbyteries, 3	Ministers and Licentiates under
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Ministers without Charge, 164	
Pastors and Stated Supplies, 401	Appropriations for the coming
	year,
Total Ministers, 565 Ministers deceased 11	To Freedmen.
	Stations,
Ministers dismissed to other	Missionaries and Teachers, 32
Churches, 12	Pupils in Sabbath schools, 2821
Ministers received from other	Pupils in other schools,2334
Churches,	Value of property,\$15,000
Ministers ordained, 27	Appropriations for next year, 12,200
Licentiates,	Foreign.
Licensures,	General Missions,
Congregations. 726	Mission Stations, 44
Congregations organized during	Missionaries and helpers sent
the year, 22	out by the Board, 35
Congregations received, 2	Churches, 12
Congregations dismissed, 3	Communicants, 350
Congregations dissolved, 11	Mission Schools, 40
Mission Stations not organized, 35	Pupils in Schools,1080
New Stations during the year, 23	Native teachers and catechists, 70
Houses of worship erected, 47	Native ministers,
Total cost of houses erected, \$250,800	Preparing for the ministry, 15
Average cost of houses erected, 6,117	Appropriation for the year, \$70,000
Organized Churches without	Institutions.
houses, 67	Theological Seminaries, 5
Congregations having parson-	Students in attendance, 77
ages, 48	Total value of property and
Мемвекентр.	funds,\$198,000
Families,	Colleges,
Members received on Profes'n, 4, 121	Total Students in attendance
Members received on Certif. 3,998	last year, 624
Deaths and Removals,5059	Total value of property and
Total Membership reported, 65,624	funds,\$228,500
Adults baptized, 504	Presbyterial schools or acad's.,
Infants baptized,4171	Contributions.
SABBATH SCHOOLS.	Salaries of Pastors and Stated
Schools open whole year, 300	Supplies, \$388,278
Schools open part of the year, 230	Congregational Expenses,241,983
Schools, time not reported, 37	Amount contributed to church
Total Schools reported, 567	
Average months onen	funds,
Average months open, 9 Officers and Teachers in Sabbath	General Contributions,73,725
Officers and Teachers in Sabbath	Total Contributions,818,641
Schools,	Legacies received by Boards, 3,943
Number of scholars reported, 43.806	Average contributions per
Contributions by S. Schools, \$19,133	member, \$11,38

TO THE BOARDS. \$70,000. Per member, 31,400. "" 12,200. " " 5.000. " " 7,000. 66 "

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SPECIAL GRANTS.

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Foreign Missions,

Home Missions.

Publication,

Education,

Freedmen's Missions,

General Assembly's Fund,

Church Extension,

San Francisco Building Fund, Dr. Cooper, Agent, (made in 1867,) Chicago, J. M. Wallace, Agent, No. 1 Major Block, Kansas City, Rev. W. C. Williamson, Agent,

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NAME.	AGE.	DATE OF DEATH.	PRESBYTERY	Y. CRDAINED.
Henry Connelly,	70,	Aug. 8th, 1868,	1st N. Y.	Sept. 21, 1832.
D. B. Jones,	62,	May 27th, 1868.	Monmouth.	
Thomas M'Cartney,	40	March 10th, 1869,	Nebraska.	July 10, 1860.
J. G. M'Kee,	36,	Sept. 25th, 1868,	Tennessee,	Sep. 9, 1863.
James G. Rankin,	47,	Nov. 6th, 1868,	Frankfort,	1848.
James Rodgers, D.D.	, 68,	July 25th, 1868,	Allegheny,	Sept. 1831.
George W. Scott,	38,	Dec. 30th, 1868,	Sealkote,	1859.
A. G. Shafer,	51,	June 30, 1868,	Allegheny,	Aug. 3, 1847.
J. M. Smeallie,	48,	Sept. 7th, 1868,	Delaware,	June 20, 1851.
H. F. Stewart,	26,	Sept. 20th, 1868,	Lake,	May 7, 1867.
R. C. Welch,—11.	,	Dec. 22d, 1868,	Chartiers,	May 4, 1867.
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### MINISTERS ORDAINED.

NAME.
Samuel Bigger,
D. G. Bruce,
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J. M. Cockins,
E. C. Cooper,
Robert T. Doig,
J. H. Elliott,
A. B. Gilfillan,
Wm. R. Gladstone,
James Howie,
S. C. Hubbell,
A. G. King,
Joseph II. Leiper,
T. G. Morrow,
A. T. MeDill,
J. C. McElree,
S. J. McKee,
W. S. Owens,
J. E. Richey,
M. L. Ross,
A. B. Struthers,
S. A. Taggart,
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J. M. Wallace,
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James C, Wilson27.

PRESBYTERY. Allegheny, Boston, Cedar Rapids, Cleveland, Delaware, Detroit, Kansas, Lake, Monongahela, Rock Island, St. Louis, Western Missouri, 46 44 44

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### CHURCHES ORGANIZED.

NAME. Tallycavey, Lawrence, Florence, Salem, Davenport, Port Huron, Brockway, Manhattan, 2d Leavenworth, Emporia, Watson's Run, 8th Church, Pittsburgh, Colona, Cuba, Holden, Moniteau, Fairview, Grand River, Kansas City, Stewart's Station. - 20.

DATE. July 15, 1868.

April 20, 1869. January 15, 1869. October 30, 1868. August 19, 1868.

June 19, 1868. February 25, 1869. April 24, 1869. March 6, 1869. June 21, 1868.

September 12, 1868. May 2, 1868. October 26, 1868. November 17th, 1868. December 17, 1868. March 12, 1869. January 5, 1869.

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### I. ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS.

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Adair, John M., Big Spring, M'Alevey's Port, Pa.
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Alexander, S., Mercer. Mount Jackson, Pa.
Allen, A. J., Cedar Rapids, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Anderson, A. R., Chartiers, Venice, Pa.
Anderson, John, Michigan, Martio, Michigan.
Anderson, S., Nebraska, College Springs, Iowa.
Andrew, James H., Arryle, South Argyle, N.Y.
Andrew, William H., Mononcahela, Pittaburgh, Pa.
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Giffilman, Chillicothe, Tranquility, Ohio.
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Goodwillie, D., H., Detroit, Commerce, Mich.
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Gordon, J. M., Bloomington, Smi.hville, Illinois.
Gowdy, G. W., Westmoreland, McKeesport, Pa.
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